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Our Cup Overflows...

Sami und ich...

Meet Sami, a 6th grader with whom we were blessed to be asked by his teacher, if we'd chaperone a ski trip for his class. So we accompanied 24 students to Switzerland for 4 days of devotions, fairly deep dialogue



(in German of course) and very deep snow. Sami was one of 5 snowboarders I guided down the slopes and helped to learn a little bit about boarding. He was one of the more advanced boarders and we were able to share a good number of laughs, falls in the snow, muscle aches, and new German phrases. As one of our goals, Laura and I have been searching for further ways to increase our German, and being around 6th graders can certainly speed up your speech. We were also part of small devotional groups every night, sharing moments of reflection on God's creation as we glanced out at the Alps, and I was able to share my life story in German, as an encouragement to give their whole lives over to God (Romans 12:1-2) even as we taught them to use their whole bodies, (arms, legs, and brains) to navigate the slopes. Be in prayer for Sami, his classmates, and teacher as they continue to live as examples of Christ amongst their families and communities.

Year in Review:

While reviewing a year's worth of prayer requests and newsletters, we realize that God has most frequently answered our (fairly) shallow prayers by providing larger cups that soon after overflow. Upon our arrival, we anticipated change, but

God has opened up our hearts as soon-to-be parents, our spirit as part of a new and growing church, our hands with the creative and encouraging work with TEFL and eDOT, our souls with deepening friendships with Germans and our co-workers, and even our mouths with the German language.

We cannot look ahead amidst the joys or difficulties of change, without looking back and seeing the faithfulness of God and being held in awe of His daily provision, even when it doesn't seem to fit in the cup we're holding...

We consider ourselves truly blessed to be a part of your lives and ministry and thank you for how you've been a part of ours.

Humbled by His grace,

CURRENT PRAYER REQUESTS

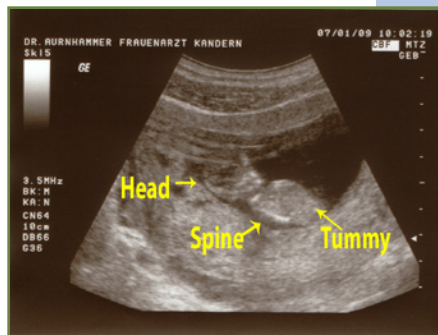
- For the upcoming TEFL trips. Thadd will be in Landau, Germany in April and in Croatia in June.
- For the growth and health of our baby, due late July.
- For wisdom in making decisions about Laura's future involvement as a mother in ministry.

ANSWERED PRAYER REQUESTS

- We have made amazing friendships in our church and are greatly encouraged to be so warmly welcomed.
- Both the TEFL and eDOT offices in our new building are finished being renovated!

Highlights

- **We are having a baby!** He/she is expected to arrive around the end of July. Laura is progressing well and feeling great! We praise God for this blessing!
- Thadd will be gone **April 9 - 20 for a TEFL camp** in Landau, Germany.
- Laura's first big project for eDOT is a **redesign of their current website**. She's excited to be moving forward with this and hopes it will be a great tool for recruiting resources and people to work with eDOT.



OUR BABY

He/she is 17 weeks old now and about 5 inches long. We've found a great Dr. and know that we're in good hands! In two weeks, we hope to find out the gender.

CONSTRUCTION

Thadd has put in a lot of hours on the construction of our new office. He's been a great help! The TEFL and eDOT offices are finished so we can work there now!

