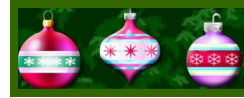


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Dear friends,



Christmas Greetings to you all from Germany!



This year I was in India twice to train translation consultants, to teach Biblical Greek and to do translation checking for various languages.



There are still at least 110 languages in India that need a Bible translation.



Our daughter Marietta spent her practical semester in Johannesburg, South-Africa, where she helped out in a baby and child haven. There was a girl who was HIV positive; she had been abandoned by her mother. At first the girl was crying a lot and was underweight. But as time went on she gained weight and got better. One day as Marietta was feeding her she felt God telling her to pray for healing. In a letter which is intended for the girl for later on Marietta writes: "... Over and over again I sensed God telling me this. I felt such peace and joy in my heart that morning. And then I remembered a prophecy someone had for me on Easter: 'You are receiving the gift to heal children with sicknesses and diseases.' Now God was telling me to pray over this girl I loved so much (you!). I could feel God telling me he was going to heal you. And I was eager to pray. So while you were lying on the changing table I started to pray. You were lying there so quietly and calm and I placed my hands on you, feeling your little heart beat. I knew God

was breathing new life into you. You would be healed. I asked Him for you to grow up into a strong woman of God. ..." And indeed, God worked a miracle and a re-examination showed HIV negative. To be sure, the screening was repeated and the test result was the same. Praise the Lord!"



This year was my 7th visit to ARILAC (Asia Research Institute of Language and Culture, Handong University, South-Korea), where I taught a course of Biblical Hebrew for (future) Bible translators.

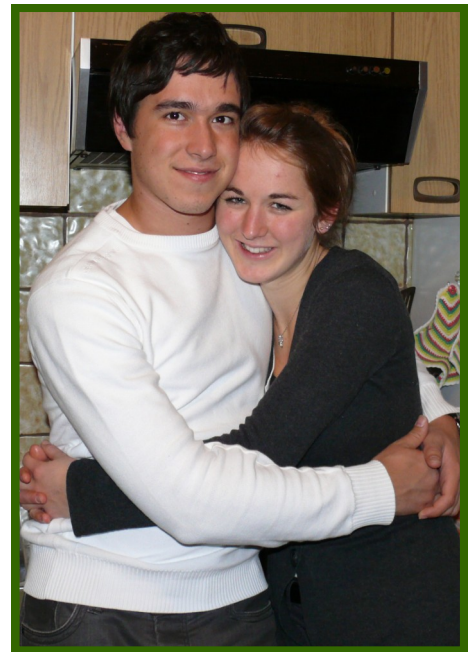
Our goal was to learn the basics of Biblical Hebrew in 4 weeks; this is quite ambitious. The first day we learned the alphabet and as homework the students had to memorize a list of over 20 words for the next day. We practiced reading Hebrew texts in class and learned Hebrew songs. But there were also grammatical rules that needed to be mastered in order to understand the Hebrew Bible.

Both of our children got engaged last Sunday 11th Dec. Manuel with Anne-Kristin and Marietta with David.

Manuel and Anne-Kristin are both studying social work at the same University.



Marietta is in her last semester studying early childhood education and instruction and David is in medical school in another town.



We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

From
Gerhard, Hiltrud,
and our kids



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