



CHRISTLICHES ZENTRUM HERRNHUT e.V.

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“We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers, remembering without ceasing your work of faith, labour of love and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus in the sight of our God and Father.”

1 Thess 1: 2-3

A great church

Many in our congregation have been faithful and sacrificial servants in both church and the ‘Jesus Haus’ for years. This year our efforts have been especially blessed, be it on our Ski Camp with the Teens, at Easter Services, during Restoration weeks or on our annual Church weekend away, which we spent in Poland this year, together with our friends from the ‘Jesus Gemeinde’ in Zittau. We really have been blessed this year!

Now, at the beginning of autumn, we look back on a full summer, with many international and national visitors, both in the church and in the ‘Jesus Haus’. It has been a summer of meaningful encounters, intense worship, sincere prayer and renewed strength and hope. Hosting the various events, and all our guests, would not have been possible without the work of our faithful band of servants. For this reason, we say a big THANK YOU to all who have helped this summer.



Great visitors

If you live in Herrnhut, you get to know people from the most diverse backgrounds. They come from all sorts of nations, from different kinds of churches, from north and south, from east and west. This year we had a larger proportion of visitors from the east, such as Hungary, Poland and Lithuania. We had a group of guests called ‘Maranatha’ who are working actively to promote unity among Christians but also between Christians and Jews, both these aims are very important to us as well.

We also had many individual visitors, a large part of these were friends of the ‘Gateways Community’ in Cyprus, who had sent a team to us for more than a month. Gateways were a wonderful encouragement to us in worship, prayer, and intercession. They blessed us greatly by working alongside us with all their strength, heart and spirit, towards the vision of a house of prayer for all nations.

Then, at the end of August, we celebrated together with our friends from Cyprus in the “Streams in the Desert” conference and were blessed to watch how God touched many people and refreshed them with streams of His goodness.



A great team building the house...

This event took place in the 'still building site' of our new big hall. Prior to the conference, we had only just poured in the new concrete floor, when we were able to stand on it together, worshipping and praising God. After weeks of hard work, during which the workers swallowed much dust, our team of builders was able to witness and be part of the first group of worshippers in the hall. It meant a lot!



A few weeks later the same room had been made to look stunning, even though only temporarily. We celebrated with 200+ people, worshipping together and seeing God move in grace and power among the conference delegates. Thank you Gateways Team, God did use you in a wonderful way!



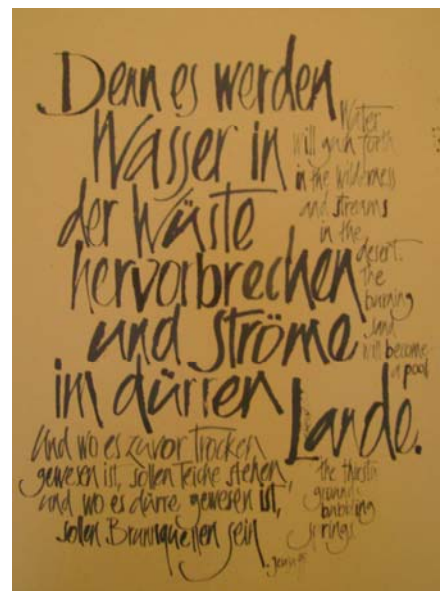
OUR CHURCH HAS BEEN CALLED ...

... to worship and prayer, to serve the body of Christ and our neighbours and to send the gospel into all the world.

This is what we do! And this is what God is doing in our midst. All of it would be impossible without the labours of our team, most of whom work without being paid – but, 'the worker is worth his wages'.

As leaders we have it very much on our hearts to pay salaries to our team, but are unable to do so during this pioneering phase. If you would like to support the team by a one-off gift or a regular contribution, please find the relevant account details at the end of this letter or on our website - www.czherrnhut.de - which is always worth a visit! (Please write 'salary for staff workers' on the bank transfer).

Many thanks to all who have given to us and supported this vision before! I do believe that you are sowing into a work which God has ordained and which He is blessing!



Warm greetings to you all,
Frank Hottenbacher and the Jesus-Haus Team