

Dear Prayer Partners,

I hope that you are doing well. Here are some prayer requests for Gospel Church Munich:

- We thank God that the **women's conference** with the Ladies from Briarwood Presbyterian Church teaching went very well.
- We praise God that our **church retreat** in Italy was tremendously blessed by the Lord; Pastor Matt Williams from Grace Church did a great job teaching through key passages of the book of Nehemiah and afterwards we had about an hour in Small groups answering questions that Matt had prepared. From what I have heard it was amazing how people were opening up in the Small groups and it was a very encouraging time. Also, 74 people were able to attend the retreat and new friendships were formed or existing relationships deepened. Please pray that the friendships that have been developed or deepened will continue to grow deeper.
- In June I started a **new sermon series** going through the Gospel according to Mark. Please **pray that God will anoint the preaching** at Gospel Church and **that more people will be saved** and **that the believers will grow and mature**.
- We thank God that we continue to see **young couples getting married** and having babies. We have one Young Married Couples Small Group that meets every two weeks. Please **pray for God to bless these young families and this Small Group**. Also pray for us to have wisdom if we should start a second Young Married Couples Small Group in the fall and if so who would be the right person to lead that group.
- On **November 15** we will as a congregation **elect elders and deacons**. By September 15 the men who have been in the training program these last 1.5 years and who have been selected to become elder candidates or deacon candidates need to let me know if they are willing to become an elder or deacon if elected. The men that God has raised up are good men and I am deeply grateful to the Lord for them. **Please pray that they have the faith and courage to follow this important call and that their wives will be supportive. I know that this is an important season for Gospel Church Munich - please pray especially for this request as I am well aware of the fact that we are in a spiritual battle.** Also, **one of the elder candidates** recently found out that he will loose his job by the end of December 2026 as BMW is cutting quite some jobs. Please **pray that he will find a good job in Munich**.
- Tomorrow I will have a **meeting with the CEO of the place where we have the worship services** in downtown Munich. Please pray for a blessed meeting and that God will continue to grant us much favor with the owners and that they will not increase the rent in 2026.
- We **thank God that Nick and Emma Kate Hall passed their "Readiness Evaluation" with MTW**. After the "Kingdom Foundations" Seminar by MTW in September they can start the process of support raising. Nick is scheduled to graduate from seminary in December 2026. So we are hopeful that they can move to Munich sometime in 2028. Please pray for Nick and his family as this process of support raising for an expensive place like Munich can seem daunting.
- Please **pray that the tithes and offerings in Munich will increase in 2026 to 200,000 Euro**. Also **pray that God will bless us with two additional partner churches that will support Gospel Church Munich and pray for us**.
- God blessed the Church Planters meeting in Amsterdam. **Pray for wisdom as we move forward and that we will see an increase in new church plants in the German-speaking countries and the Netherlands as well as in Europe at large. Please pray for revival in Europe!**
- Please **pray for Elizabeth as she will be co-leading an online "Coming Alongside" women's group for church planter's wives** (with women from all over Europe) in the fall.
- **Sophia** would like to do a two year long Master's program starting in October at the Technical University in Munich. It is very hard to get into that program. **Please pray that she will get accepted if that is God's will for her**. She got into the second round and had an interview and they told her that they will let her know in the next few weeks.
- **Susanna** had been offered in 8th grade to become part of a special program with the goal of skipping 11th grade. In July the decision will be finalized if she will indeed skip 11th grade and go straight to 12th grade (they finish up in 13th grade). Please **pray that God will guide the teachers, Susanna and us in this important decision**.
- Please **pray for good health, strength, protection and hope, faith and love for all of us**.

One evening at the retreat in Italy some of us went eating ice-cream in a nearby city. Here is a picture from that outing:



Warmly in Christ,

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