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We made it to 70%! We left for Germany on Wednesday, September 24, to go to language school with Beth Jarvis, our team leader.

HERE'S THE STORY

We got a call from CMF's Globalscope director on Friday, September 12, that if we could get our monthly commitments to 70% by September 19, we could go to language learning with Beth! While we were hopeful that would happen, we knew that raising 15% (\$1,230 per month) in a week was next to impossible. So, we went about our business that weekend, doing support raising things and praying. It wasn't looking likely, then Sunday night we got a call that ended up being 10% of our need! Suddenly, raising \$260 per month in commitments seemed doable. We could see God working through people in our lives to send us to language school.

Everything happened so fast, between Monday morning and Wednesday night. We called and emailed, and the remaining support came in! So we started to plan. In less than a week, we had to pack, get our shots, organize our stuff, put things into storage, visit Chris's family in Texas, and get ready to move to Germany. Life was crazy, but it was great. God moved -- and is still moving -- in so many ways, providing people to encourage us and make this happen.

So we packed and said goodbye and headed to Dallas to hang out with Chris's family before leaving on Wednesday, September 24, to fly to Stuttgart. It has been a whirlwind. God has been amazing! Who would have thought that we could go from 55% to 70% in our support in a week?! Apparently God had plans.

HERE'S WHAT WE STILL NEED:

- Prayer, lots of it for language learning, housing, and cultural transition.
- The remaining 30% of our funds. We were allowed to go at 70% to language learning. If we can't raise the last 30% while we're in language school, we'll have to come back and do support raising in February. Please pray for the support to come in!
- Encouragement as the months go by. We'd love to hear your stories and exciting news, so please email us or write us! We'll send out our mail address when we figure out where we're living!

We will continue to send our monthly newsletters, updating you on our language learning and the ups and downs of ministry in a foreign country! We'll email once we're safely enrolled in language school in Germany!

Thank you so much for your prayers and support! We couldn't do this without you. We are praying for you! Thank you!



FAQS

How do I give once I've committed?

There is an automatic withdrawal form available on CMF's website at <http://www.cmf.org/howtomakeagift.html>. Or, you can send checks in to CMF directly, and they will give you a monthly receipt with a form at the bottom for the next month's giving. Make sure to put "Coleman-Germany" on the memo line of the check so it will get to us! CMF's address is:

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When should I start giving?

Right away if you are able. Once we arrive on the field, we are completely reliant on your gifts to house us, feed us, and enable us to reach students for Christ.

How do I commit?

Just email us! Or send a commitment card into CMF directly.

What are you going to do while you're in language school?

We are going to focus on learning German, interacting with the culture, and making long-term plans for our campus house (i.e., renovations). Language school is a month of intensive class work and practical applications in learning German. The program we are using is the Goethe Institute, a prestigious program set-up by the German government and recognized worldwide. We are going to language school in a different city, which means we won't have as many opportunities to build friendships with students in Tuebingen, but we will be hanging out there on the weekends.

What are you doing after language school?

We are going to start the ministry! We'll be working on making our campus house comfortable, meeting students, starting small groups, and building friendships!

How much more do you need to stay on the field?

To remain on the field, we need 100% of our funding. Currently we are at 70%, which means we still need to raise 30%, which is about \$2,400/month. If we are unable to raise it, we will have to come home in February/March during the school break to raise the rest.

What level of giving do you need?

We need gifts of all shapes and sizes. We have good friends who have just graduated who give \$10 a month, sacrificing out of their tiny budgets. We also have friends and family who give \$200+ each month. Our supporters give what they can, and we are so grateful for that. We are blessed to have so many supporters who love and care for us!

What other needs do you have?

We need lots of prayer! We really felt ya'll's prayers during September! We'll need more as we arrive in Germany and start a campus ministry! We also need to hear from you! Send us pictures and stories of what's going on in your lives so we can be praying for you!

Thank you! You have made this happen!

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