Together on His Ways





JOSHUA 1,5B+9B

Wow! God stands with Joshua in the same way He did with Moses. It is fascinating how God's command "be strong and courageous" (3x in vv. 6-9) is sandwiched in His promise of His awesome presence. God does not give a mandate and then leaves us by ourselves. No, He promises to be there ... well, He already is there before we are.

By the way, in the Great Commission (Matthew 28) we see the exact same happening. Jesus says: "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me ... therefore go ...and behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Together on His way, because He is already there!

Are we saved by faith alone?

In one of our last church meetings (with roughly 80 people attending) Ben had the opportunity to teach on the topic of *sola fide* (saved by faith alone). We discussed how we define faith, how we understand the gospel, and what it means to call Jesus "Lord/King".



Soon the session will be online (for those who would like to practice their German). Ben loves teaching and being involved in

theological education in church settings. He would have liked to further that kind of ministry in our church in Germany even more.

Being sent out

On June 11th, we had our farewell service in our church. For this occasion, the regional director of our mission agency in Germany, Simon Bohn, was present as well. Our church sends us on our way to be involved in theological education in Peru.



In the afternoon, we had lunch together and a little program was done for us. The boys enjoyed hitting the Piñata, for this is not usually a common game in Germany.



(Piñata filled with goodies)

Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you or forsake you....

Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.



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Chicago

During Ben's week-long stay (May 30th to June 6th) in Chicago he was able to spend time with many friends and ate way too much food (!). He also had the privilege to preach at First Evangelical Free and give a presentation on the ministry in Peru.

First Free has agreed to support our ministry and we are thrilled that we can visit Chicago during our furloughs as well.

In the following picture, you can see some of the men with whom Ben worked and shared life with:



(left: Del [his mentor]; next to Del there is Brad and to the right is Tim. With Tim and Brad he had a lively discipleship relationship).

Wedding

In May Ben conducted the wedding of Daniela's brother, Christoph. He, his wife Sarah, and her daughter Emilia are now a new family. We wish them all of God's blessings.

It was a wonderful ceremony and celebration!



Finances

We are currently at 74% of support regarding our monthly costs. Further donations have been pledged and we are thankful for all the partnership and support we experience in many ways. To God be the glory!



You are more than welcome to help us reach 100% of our Lama

DMG-Missions Retreat & Day of Prayer

Another highlight in the last couple of weeks/months was to do a devotion and to give a presentation during the DMG-Missions Retreat ...



...as well as giving a sermon during the "Day of Prayer: America".

Greetings and God's blessings from Germany,

Ben & Daniela Joel, Timothy und Jason

Prayer

Praise:

- For the big support, which is shown in many ways
- Strength for all the different speaking engagements and preparations

Request:

- June 25th missions-day in Neustadt
- July 3rd to 8th doctoral course in Korntal
- Protection for the family
- Good flight to Peru

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