



And when they arrived and gathered the church together,
they declared all that God had done with them,
and how he had opened a door of faith to the Gentiles.
And they remained no little time with the disciples.
Acts 14:27-28



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Prayer Update

Dear friends and family, 10-03-2025

Today is the big day. Today we say goodbye to Japan for a year and start our home assignment in Germany. Almost exactly five years ago, our journey with Jesus in Japan began when we landed here on March 12, 2020 for our Bible school internship, which eventually unexpectedly turned into a one-year stay due to Covid. Apart from a brief trip to Germany in the spring of 2021, which didn't really feel like home because of the lockdown, we've spent all of this time in Asia. That's a long time. So, we are all the more looking forward to seeing our loved ones at home, the gentle hills of Upper Franconia and familiar food that simply cannot be found in Japan, such as leberkäse, (edible) salami or buttermilk.

We spent the last few days in Sapporo, where we debriefed our time in Kitami with our leadership, had a final language test and a few more farewell meetings. Our move from Kitami to Sapporo was a bit bumpy and nerve-racking because there were a few misunderstandings and mistakes on both our part and on the part of the moving company. But in the end, we were able to store all of our belongings safely in Sapporo. Now we are looking forward to three weeks of vacation in Thailand, where we can escape the winter cold of Hokkaido and also mentally wrap up our first term in Japan, which was hardly possible in the hustle and bustle of the past few weeks.

The First Few Weeks of our Home Assignment

As you can see from our plan on the second page of the letter, the first three months of our home assignment are already well filled. Nevertheless, we are trying to

start a bit more slowly in the first two weeks and to settle in in Bayreuth first, because experience has shown that the reverse culture shock will not be long in coming.

In mid-April, we will be at the German OMF headquarters in Mücke, where we will discuss our tasks and plans for our home assignment. On April 13, we will take part at a mission festival in the FeG Giessen Church organized by OMF with a morning and evening service and some events in between. The next day, we will be with an OMF team at the first vocation fair of the [Giessen School of Theology](#), where we studied for half a year as guest students. And from April 19 to 21, we will be manning the OMF stand at the Easter conference in Gunzenhausen. You are cordially invited to all these events!

Please pray for a restful and spiritually refreshing vacation in Thailand and a good settling-in back home.

Please also pray for our field leadership which is in the decision process for our designation in our second term of service in Japan.

We are still praying and waiting for God's guidance. In the meantime, the focus has been narrowed somewhat and our leadership is currently communicating with several Japanese churches, but the final decision has not yet been made.

Thank you very much for all your prayers for us and the people of Japan, and for your faithful giving!

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Annual Schedule for our Home Assignment 2025/2026

01.04. - 11.04.	Arrival in Bayreuth	20.10. - 21.10.	Cornerstone Bible College (Netherlands)
06.04. (So)	Bibelgemeinde Bayreuth	22.10. - 23.10.	Stay in West Germany
13.04. (So)	Spring Mission Festival (FeG Giessen)	24.10. - 27.10.	OMF Autumn Mission Festival (Mücke)
14.04.	Vocation Fair (Giessen School of Theol.)	28.10. - 01.11.	Stay in West Germany
15.04. - 16.04.	OMF Germany (Mücke)	02.11. (So)	Stadtmission Kleve
19.04. - 21.04.	Easter Conference (Gunzenhausen)	09.11. (So)	(Still open)
22.04. - 10.05.	Stay in Bayreuth	16.11. (So)	(Still open)
10.05.	Evening event	23.11. (So)	(Still open)
11.05. (So)	Nikodemuskirche Bayreuth	30.11. (So)	(Still open)
13.05. - 15.05.	OMF Germany (Mücke)	07.12. (So)	(Still open)
18.05. (So)	Church in Bayreuth	14.12. (So)	(Still open)
24.05.	Männergebetsbund Day of Prayer (Hanau)	21.12. (So)	(Still open)
25.05. (So)	Standmission Nidda	23.12. - 31.12.	Vacation
31.05. - 12.06.	Stay in Northern Germany	01.01 - 07.01	Prayer week Bibelgemeinde Bayreuth
01.06. (So)	Stalltreff Medrov	11.01. (So)	Youth Mission Conference (Stuttgart)
05.06.	Mission event	18.01. (So)	(Still open)
08.06. (So)	Church in Northern Germany	25.01. (So)	(Still open)
13.06. - 15.06.	OMF Germany (Mücke)	01.02. (So)	(Still open)
16.06. - 20.06.	Possible stay in Frankfurt area	08.02. (So)	(Still open)
21.06.	Volunteers4asia OMF (Karlsruhe)	09.02. - 08.03.	Preparation for departure and vacation
22.06. (So)	Possible stay in Karlsruhe area	09.03.	Provisional departure date
29.06. (So)	Church in Herborn		
06.07. (So)	Bibelgemeinde Bayreuth		
12.07.	Women's event (Cadolzburg)		
13.07. (So)	Evangeliumsgemeinde Cadolzburg		
19.07.	Youth event (Aalen)		
20.07. (So)	BMG Aalen		
21.07. - 25.07.	Retreat near Stuttgart		
26.07. - 27.07.	Youth Mission Weekend (Sinsheim)		
30.07. - 03.08.	Allianz Conference (Bad Blankenburg)		
04.08.	Männergebetsbund Day of Prayer (Bad Bl.)		
10.08. (So)	Bibelgemeinde Bayreuth		
17.08. (So)	(Still open)		
24.08. (So)	(Still open)		
31.08. (So)	(Still open)		
07.09. (So)	(Still open)		
14.09. (So)	(Still open)		
20.09. - 21.09.	Asia Information Weekend OMF (Mücke)		
23.09. - 14.10.	Vacation		
17.10.	Youth event (Gummersbach)		

- Already fixed
- Reserved but not yet finally confirmed
- Inquired or in discussion
- Not yet planned or inquired

Unless otherwise stated, we are basically stationed in Bayreuth and are always available for private meetings or visits in home groups, etc. in the Bayreuth or Nuremberg area, if it fits in. For visits further away, just write to us and we will surely find a date.