Evangelisch-methodistische Kirche

Ich bete für meine Kirche 2014

6–12 July **Mission Department (Evangelisationswerk)**

Do I take pleasure in the death of the wicked? Says the LORD God.
Certainly not! If they change their ways, they will live.
(Ezekiel 18,23 CEB)

Showing the Flag!

It's World Championship of Soccer/Fussball/! You know that for sure, don't you? In these days, I am constantly reminded by all the flags everywhere: Small ones on the cars in front of mine; bigger ones hanging down from windows and balconies; or faces with make-up in the German national colors – here in Chemnitz even the face of the Karl-Marx statue has been painted in black, red, and gold. To me showing these flags in relation to the World Championship is a nice thing. Some fans have their hair dyed and sometimes walk around in rather queer outfits, they wrap flags around their shoulders and cheer their teams on.
They show the flag!

And we as believers: Do we also show our flag? We are 'outing' us as Christians. We confess our faith. Sometimes by swimming against the current. We don't take part in everything and don't look the other way, when evil is done. We voice different opinions and interfere. And – we appeal to people to change their ways. Even if that becomes inconvenient. We show the flag. We talk about the God of Love. He does not take pleasure in people perishing in their wicked ways. We are motivated by God's love to speak up in open words to them, if necessary saying: "You are on the wrong track. Turn around! God loves you. Trust him for all your life!"

Barry Sloan

I give thanks

- For the many friends, praying persons, givers, and helpers who make the activities of the Evangeliumswerk / Mission Department possible.
- For the many resources and means which make an Europe wide creative, professional, and reliable mission possible.
- For the fact that many people, who would otherwise never have come to a church, came to meet God in our tents.

It is my prayer

- For the events of the tent mission working in Norway, Hungary, Serbia, and Chemnitz at present.
- - For the Fresh-Expressions-Projects in the UMC/EmK/ which try to introduce the Gospel to new people by providing: the church in the basement /Kellerkirche/ (Duisburg), Willi's surprise suitcase /Überraschungskoffer/ (Mainz), climbing church H3 /Kletterkirche H3/ (Metzingen), Café Bohnenheld (St. Georgen), Checkpoint (Chemnitz), Inspire (Chemnitz).

The Mission Department helps congregations to share the good news of God's love creatively. The main emphasize is on mission work (Barry Sloan), founding of congregations (Eberhard Schilling), reactivation of congregations (Christhard Elle). The mission work supports congregations throughout Europe with tents and the UMC Mobile (Hans-Martin Kienle) in various missionary activities. Additional offers are central and regional workshops and consultations.

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