



Greater Europe Mission

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Greetings from Kandern, Germany.

Time has flown by since I last took the opportunity to write.

We had teams come out to our Europe Ministry Center in April & May. As a result, we now have a great parking area surface! And the timing was perfect. If we'd waited any longer we would have had difficulty getting this project done, as the city of Kandern has its own project going, widening the stream areas to avoid flooding.

In May we had teams out in southern France and in northern France. A good size team went to LaPastorale camp and helped them work on the attic space to provide housing for the camp director and his family. And a smaller group went to Croix, an area of Lille, to help with renovations on the church.

June was a quieter month. Two coworkers headed to Madrid for a few days to investigate some project sites for the future. There is a Christian school and two churches that would love to have teams come and help in a couple years time.

In July we had a team from California go to a camp in Eastern Europe to help do some major work there, and a team from Manitoba worked on renovating cabins into classroom space at a Christian elementary school in France just an hour away from our office here.

During these months there were some highlights and some challenges. Anna, who came for three months to work with me, was a big help in getting many administrative tasks done that I don't usually have the time to get to. In April, my co-worker Matt had knee surgery. As each month passed by in recovering from that, he got an infection in his knee. As a result, another co-worker Kim had to fill in on projects, giving him a heavier schedule than expected. And I kept up with correspondence, finances, and doing the daily things from the office.

In August it was conference time, this time in Wisla, Poland. We had some super teams come out to serve both the adults and the kids, and the site was one of the most relaxing ones we've had in years. The setting was in a ski area, and there was a festival on in town. The speakers were encouraging, we had some great prayer times and an opportunity to share in a small group setting each day. Even with the responsibilities I had to oversee housing, transportation and the children's groups, and being at a new site, I felt like I had time to relax more than some conferences.

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In these next couple of weeks I'm doing catch up with co-worker Bob and his wife Elena. They recently returned from their time in the US this past year. And I'll be away for three months. So it's a time to talk over things about projects for 2011 and working on finances.

In case you hadn't heard yet **I will be in Canada from September 16 till December 16.** I'll be based at my parents' home in Winnipeg, 127 Balaban Place. I'd love to meet with folks individually, in small groups, or in a larger group setting. Please drop me an email or contact me at my parents' home at 204-663-7167. **Note that my email address has changed** – it is now Shirley.Unger@gemission.org.

Praises:

I'm so thankful for the time Anna could be here to help out, especially when I would have been on my own.

It was good to be able to get our parking area done and to be able to have folks like Phil Gibson and Craig Collier come over to lead teams this year.

Our annual conference was a special time of encouragement to our mission family.

It is great that the Gonzalez family was able to return with more support and to be back in time to go over things before I leave.

Prayers:

Pray for Matt & Esther that the infection won't return in his knee. They've had some other challenges along the way, so pray for strength through difficult times like this.

Pray for Kim, as he's had a full year of ministry, many times away from his family. He's in the US at the moment spending a couple of weeks sharing about the ministry.

Pray for co-worker Nathan and his family, as they continue to raise enough support to return to Germany.

Pray for my time in Canada, for safe travels and for opportunities to share about the ministry of EuroTeam.

Pray also that the finances will come in to allow me to return after three months. There is a need for at least \$500 monthly to provide for my ministry and personal needs serving in Europe.

Thanks for your continued interest in the ministry of EuroTeam in Greater Europe Mission. We're excited about the coming year and wait to see how God will use us to serve Him and the people of Europe.

In Christ,

Shirley Unger