

Weekly Schedule:

Sundays:

Choir Rehearsal 13:00 - 13:45¹
Worship Service 14:00 - 15:30
Pre-school - Children's Bible Study 14:00 - 15:30
We have an excellent Bible study and children's program for your children during the worship service for the youth and adults. We encourage you to allow your children to go with the other children as they leave the worship service together with the teachers.

Wednesdays:

Prayer Service & Bible Study 18:30 - 19:30

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The International Baptist Church of Cologne is a congregation of believers who gather to worship our God through Jesus Christ, His Son. We strive to be a caring and loving group of Christians who give faithful witness to the salvation available to all through faith in Jesus Christ. Our congregation is a participating member of the International Baptist Convention and the Bund Evangelisch-Freikirchlicher Gemeinden in Deutschland.

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¹All members who would be a part of the worship team are encouraged to be present one hour before the beginning of the worship service in order to prepare the music for the worship service.



The Worship of God

SUNDAY 14:00



11 JANUARY 2009

We welcome you to worship with us.

Escher Straße 160 (Bilderstöckchen)
50739 Köln



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11 January 2009
THE WORSHIP OF GOD

We Praise God

Preparing for Worship

Chorus "Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down"
Chorus "Hallelujah: Your Love is Amazing"
Chorus "I Lift Up My Hands"

Worship Team

Vivian von Piechowski
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Welcome and Announcements
Birthday Recognitions

A Summons to Praise from God's Word,

But what does [the scripture] say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." Rom. 10:8-11

Bro. Lorin

Invocation¹

Hymn "My Faith Has Found a Resting Place"

Dean Edwards
Hymn nr. 380

We Seek God's Care

The Sharing of Needs
Intercession for Needs

Congregation
Bro. Lorin

We Share God's Saving Grace

Scripture lesson,² Responsive Reading # 586

Bro. Lorin & Congregation

Offertory Prayer

Samy Rungiah

Chorus "Jesus, We Celebrate Your Victory"

Receiving the Offerings³

We Hear God's Word

Special Music "Angels gathered round your throne"

Alison Edwards

"Your love, O Lord"

Sermon "God's church: a believer's congregation," Gal. 2:15-21

Bro. Lorin

Invitation Hymn⁴

The Benediction

Bro. Lorin

Chorus "The Bond of Love"

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²The pastor reads the light print and the congregation reads in unison the **darkened print**.

³Our congregation is a Free Church and thus receives financial support only from the free will offerings of the members and others who wish to contribute to the ministries of the church. For fund transfer, use the following information for the church: Kölner Bank, BLZ: 37160087; Konto, 680020000.

⁴For those wishing to publicly confess Christ as Savior and Lord, to rededicate your life to serving Christ, or to request membership in the church by transfer of letter, you should come forward to speak with the pastor about your desire. Pastor Lorin will help you follow the Lord's leadership in public decision.

An Invitation:

Anyone who feels led of God to profess faith in Christ is invited to meet with the pastor immediately after the worship service for further instruction. Also, any who feel led of God to apply for membership in the church should meet with Pastor Lorin after the service for *counseling* on how to become a member of the IBC Church Cologne.

Prayer Concerns

Our church maintains a Prayer List of requests submitted by members and friends. Everyone is encouraged to submit the names of individuals etc., who need the prayers of the church. We will post these names on a printed list each week. On Wednesday evening especially, the church will be praying for each need that is listed. But members are also encouraged to take this list home, place it in your Bible, and each day as you spend time reading the scriptures to be reminded to pray for these individuals on the Prayer List. To submit a name, just write it out on a slip of paper and hand it to the pastor or one of the Church Council members listed on the bulletin.

Calendar of Events⁵

Wednesday:

18:30 - 19:30 Prayer and Bible Study at the church
James 3:13-18 is the study.

Upcoming IBC events:

(more info on website/IBC office)

16-19 January: Men's Conference, Lenk, Switzerland

13-17 March: Ministry Leadership Conference, Algarve, Portugal

4-9 July: Interlaken Summer Experience, Interlaken, Switzerland

Euroventure Youth Camp, Grindelwald, Switzerland

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Church Forum on Internet

Since the middle of December, a forum for sharing views about items related to our church has been available to members and friends of our church. Many members regularly contribute their ideas about several topics (called threads in internet terms). The forum is not available universally to everyone on the internet; rather, it is a private form available to those with interest in helping our church grow and serve. The currently active topics are: **1)** church anniversary celebration in May; **2)** home Bible study groups; **3)** Sermon / Worship Service planning; and **4)** Youth Ministry. Other topics will be added as time goes by. I want to encourage every member to participate. The forums are a place to voice your ideas and to read the ideas of others in the church. The forum is located at <http://groups.google.com/group/ibc-cologne>. They are especially helpful to me as your pastor to understand your thinking on these subjects.

Summary of December Financial Statement:

Balance on 1 Dec: 7117,22 €

Contributions: 6224,63 €

Expenses: 3183,53 €

IBC Missions: 775,51 €

Global Missions Offering: 377,31 €

Church support: 2030,71 €

Balance on 31 Dec: 10158,32 €

God is blessing us in the giving of the people to the cause of Christ. A copy of the detailed financial statement is available in the foyer of the church. Be in prayer for Francis, Kingsley, and Bro. Lorin who are working on a budget proposal for 2009. This will be presented to the church for consideration and adoption during February.

⁵**Alert to parents of preschool children:** With the move to the Nathanael Reformierte Kirche on Sept. 7, it will be very important for you to keep your children *closely supervised* while inside the building. They must not be allowed to wander around and get into rooms etc. that are not a part of our lease agreement. Thank you for your help in this.



Please take a copy home with you in order to remember to pray for these concerns.

Prayer List¹

IBC Baptist Church
of Cologne

as of 11 January 2009

He [Jesus] was teaching and saying, "Is it not written, "My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations?" (Mark 11:17)

The following indicates individuals and situations that we as members of the International Baptist Church in Cologne need to be praying for daily.

- For possible mission projects next summer. The International Baptist Convention has entered into a partnership agreement with the Virginia Baptist Convention for joint mission ventures. Beginning conversations have taken place between Pastor Lorin and Craig Waddell, mission projects coordinator for the VBMB, about a mission group for sometime in June or July of 2009. Be much in prayer for God's guidance into how we can partner with Virginia Baptists in outreach activities to win people to Christ in our city.
- Pastor Lorin and Claire. Pray that they will make the transition into retirement and ministry to the church easily and smoothly.
- For former members of IBC church Cologne, that many of them will find God leading them to return to active service in our church. We rejoice over those whom God has led to reunite with our church already this fall.
- For national leaders around the world as they try to come to grips with the deepening economic troubles world wide. In the past such difficulties have often preceded major wars. Pray that God will intervene to give wisdom for solving these problems quickly and without violent conflict developing.
- For the world wide ministries of Christ to the World Ministries (CTTWM). Pastor Lorin has served for several years as biblical and theological editor, as well as writer, for this Texas based organization that broadcasts radio dramas and Bible studies to over 100 million people scattered all the way from Russia to China and Korea.
- For the Russian Christians and specifically for the Far East Broadcasting (FEBC). CTTWM recently received word from the FEBC National Director Rudi Wiens of growing concerns that he has over growing political tensions against evangelical Christianity.
- For several new projects currently underway by CTTWM: 1) radio broadcasts throughout Pakistan began on Oct. 30; 2) beginning broadcasts in the Hindi language, the 4th language throughout December in Mongolia; 3) preparations for teaching Chinese seminary students in nine cities over China during February 2009; 4) preparations for broadcasts of the gospel from Radio Sotak in Baghdad Iraq via the internet targeting the middle east; 6) for the recruiting of several more volunteers with experience in radio broadcast script writing to develop the radio broadcasts more rapidly, along with graphic artists and Bible study guide writers.
- For our church as we move into a new year with many exciting plans for growth and

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outreach to our city.

- For the finance team who is working on a proposed budget to be presented to the church at the end of January for its consideration and approval.
- For God's peace to reign in the war torn country of Zimbabwe.



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CareNet

On the IBC CareNet Prayer Calender for Jan. 11:

IBC Church to Pray for today:

Frankfurt, Germany
Franconia, Germany
Freiburg, Germany

Pastor & Wife Team:

Doyle Searcy
Bob & Barbara Bausum
Sylvester & Adelaide Peparah-Kwakye

These IBC churches are currently seeking pastors:

Germany:

Immanuel Baptist Church, Wiesbaden
IBC Stuttgart
IBC Hamburg
IBC Hannover

England:

Sedge Fen Baptist Church

Netherlands:

Emmanuel Baptist Church, Hoensbroek
IBC Eindhoven

Russia:

Moscow International Christian Fellowship

Slovakia:

IBC Bratislava

Ukraine:

Kiev International Bible Church

Tanzania:

IBC Dar es Salaam

Pray for the pastor search committee of these sister congregations.

Pray for Larry & Laura Smith who begin their ministry to the IBC church in Munich this month.



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