

Friday Evenings

Every Friday evening, committed Christians anxious to learn more of God's will from sacred scripture gather together for prayer and the study of God's Word. The study takes place using the English language.

Not only is there stimulating study of the Bible but also the opportunity to discuss and ask questions. Additionally, the chance to meet and fellowship with other believers is a vital part of the occasion. What will take place on Friday evenings?

- **Prayer time.** The study begins with a time of intercessory prayer for spiritual needs -- both among the group members and for those outside the group.
- **Intensive study of God's Word,** led by Pastor Lorin Cranford of the International Baptist Church in Cologne. Pastor Cranford is an internationally known retired professor of New Testament, having taught New Testament and biblical Greek for almost 40 years at



"Work hard so God can approve you. Be a good worker, one who does not need to be ashamed, and one who correctly explains the word of truth." (2 Tim. 2:15 NLT)

Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Ft. Worth, Texas (the largest theological seminary in North America), and at Gardner-Webb University (a large Baptist university) in Boiling Springs, North Carolina. For more information go to <http://cranfordville.com>.

- **Printed background studies** will be made available to participants each week and can also be downloaded by going to <http://cranfordville.com/IBC%20Cologne/index-BibleStudies.html>.
- **Come join us on Friday evenings!**



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Regular study of God's Word is essential to a healthy Christian life. To engage in such study with fellow believers also seeking to know God's will only enriches that effort.

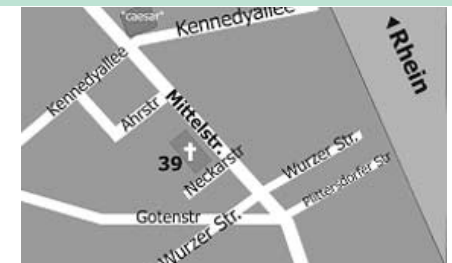
To this end, two churches -- IBC Cologne & GZM-EFG Bonn -- have joined together to provide such a study opportunity in the English language to interested individuals in the Bonn / Bad Godesberg area.

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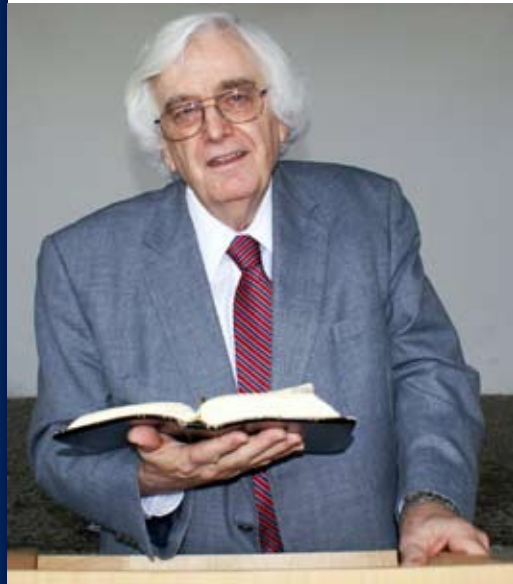


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About Pastor Cranford

Lorin Cranford was born on a ranch in West Texas in 1941. Raised by godly parents who devotedly served Christ in the Baptist church, he made a commitment to Gospel ministry in March 1957. In March 1958, he preached his first sermon as youth pastor in his home church.

His education came at Wayland Baptist University in the Texas panhandle (BA degree in 1964) and at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Ft. Worth, Texas (MDiv degree in 1968 and ThD degree in 1975). Having pastored two churches from 1964 to 1974, he joined the faculty of SWBTS as professor of New Testament and Greek. Upon retirement in 1997, he continued teaching at Gardner-Webb University in North Carolina until Dec. 2008.

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The time of Christian fellowship each Friday evening will focus on prayer and Bible study.

The meetings will begin with a time of intercessory prayer for the various needs of the participants and for others who stand in need of God's help.

The time of Bible study will be based on a printed background study of the scripture text being considered each session. Pastor Cranford will guide the study with ample time and opportunity for participants to contribute and ask questions as the discussion moves through the biblical text.

The goal is the spiritual enrichment of every participant in the study.

Schedule

The study will begin with a sixteen week study of the Letter of James. This fascinating book of the New Testament provides a wealth of practical spiritual understanding on living every day to its fullest.

Following the study of James will be a sixteen week study of the Origin and History of the Christian Bible. Better understanding of the nature of scripture is the goal.

The third study will be a sixteen week examination of Jesus' Sermon on the Mount from Matthew 5-7 and Luke 6. This priceless gold mine of spiritual truth will help us understand what our Lord stood for during His earthly ministry.

Other studies are in the planning stages and will be announced well in advance of their beginning.

Preparation

What do you need to do in order to attend these sessions?

Have a desire to learn more of what God's Word says to us about living a life that pleases Him. That's the number one preparation.

Attend the sessions prayerfully asking the Spirit of God to open the hearts of everyone present so that all can gain deeper insights into serving Christ.

Bring your Bible and some paper and pen in order to take notes from the study.

There is no cost for attending the sessions. This is a ministry provided to the glory of God by the IBC church in Cologne and the GZM-EFG church in Bonn.

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