

Weekly Schedule:

Sundays:

Choir Rehearsal	13:00 - 13:55 ¹
Prayer Service	13:30 - 13:55
Worship Service	14:00 - 15:45
Pre-school - Children's Bible Study	14:10 - 15:45

We have an excellent Bible study and children's program for your children, ages 3 through 10 years, 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 (Köln: Escherstr. 160) 18:30 - 20:00

Fridays:

Youth Meeting 18:00 - 21:30
At Merheimer Straße 71 in Köln at the home of Elsa Odongo.
Prayer Service & Bible Study (Bonn: Mittelstr. 39) 19:00 - 20:30

Church Leadership:

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Women's Ministry Leader	Alison Edwards ibcwm@yahoo.com
Children's Minister	Claire Cranford children@ibc-cologne.com
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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



27 DECEMBER 2009

We welcome you to worship with us.



*Escher Straße 160 (Bilderstöckchen)
50739 Köln*

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27 December 2009
THE WORSHIP OF GOD

We Praise God

Preparing for Worship
 Chorus
 Chorus
 Chorus

“Lord, I Life Your Name on High“
 “Here I Am To Worship“
 “Sing Hallelujah to the Lord“

Worship Team

Welcome and Announcements
 Birthday Recognitions

A Summons to Praise from God’s Word,
 Invocation
 Hymn of Praise
 Children depart for Sunday School¹

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Ojeifo Ohihoin
 Ojeifo Ohihoin

Bro. Lorin
 Stefan Kaercher
 Hymn nr. 7

We Seek God’s Care

The Sharing of Needs
 Intercession for Needs

Congregation
 Bro. Lorin

We Share God’s Saving Grace

Hymn of Praise
 Receiving the Offerings²
 Offertory Prayer

“Joy to the World”

Hymn nr. 87

Alison Edwards

We Hear God’s Word

Special Music
 Sermon
 Invitation Hymn
 The Benediction
 Closing Chorus

“Courage to Face the Difficult,” Joshua 14:6-14
 “Just As I Am”

Laury Anako
 Bro. Lorin
 Hymn nr. 307
 Bro. Lorin

An Invitation:

For 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 during the Invitation Hymn. Pastor Lorin will help you follow the Lord’s leadership in public decision.

As of Dec. 20, we have contribute 506 Euros to the IBC Global Missions Offering. We have reached our goal of 500 Euros and gone over it a little. We praise God for the generosity of our members who have given to this important missions project of our church. Today is the final Sunday for contributions to the missions offering. Please use the special yellow envelopes makred IBC Global Missions Offering for contributions. The needs



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²Our 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.

across the convention are very great; every cent given goes to help spread the gospel in many parts of our world.

Calender of Events

Sunday, Dec. 27

16:00 - 16:45

Church Leadership Team meeting

Thursday, Dec. 31

22:00-00.30

New Year’s Eve Celebration w. Pot Luck supper

Sunday, Jan. 3

14:00 - 15:45

Dedication Service for Griffin Prevost

Two special opportunities for spiritual growth are coming up through the International Baptist Convention. The Men’s Ministry of the IBC is sponsoring a winter conference Jan. 15-18, and the Women’s Ministry has a conference April 16-18. These are wonderful opportunities for Bible study and worship with fellow IBCers from other churches in our convention. See web sites below for details.

Last Week’s Record:

Sunday Attendance: 51
 Christmas Day Attend: 48
 Offering: 46.52 €
 IBC Missions: 11.00 €
 Total IBC Missions: 506.00 €
 Christmas Day Offering: 37.19 €
 Weekly Attend Avg: 77.84
 Weekly Giving Avg: 295.28 €



IBC Women’s Conference
 April 16-18, 2010
 San Jose Conference Center
 E I Escorial, MADRID, Spain

Complete Conference Package
 Double Room & all meals: 130€
 Single Room & all meals: 165€

Day Conference Package
 Weekend: 65€ (includes 2 lunches & 2 dinners)
 Saturday only: 35€ (includes 1 lunch & 1 dinner)

Registration begins November 15, 2009

More info: www.ibc-churches.org/women

MISSION POSSIBLE
 2010
 NewMen’s Ministry 2010
 Winter Conference

PREACHING:
 Dr. Rodney Woo
 Director of International Men’s Ministry, Houston, Texas

WORSHIP:
 Doug Pierce
 Worship Leader, International Men’s Ministry, Houston, Texas

DAILY SEMINARS:
 Rodney Robert
 International Director, Presbyterian Church, Switzerland

David Jack
 Director of Men’s Ministry, Health Men’s Ministry, Moscow

Andrew Pittman
 Pastor, International Men’s Ministry, Houston, Texas

LEUK, SWITZERLAND JANUARY 15-18, 2010
 A Ministry of the International Baptist Convention.
 More info at: www.ibc-churches.org

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

Prayer List

IBC Baptist Church
of Cologne

as of 27 December 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.

IBC Cologne Concerns:

- For members & friends with **health issues**:
 - Stefanie Woehler
 - Joe Phiri, who is recovering from kidney transplant surgery. Joe is now at home and doing very well.
 - Edith Morgan
- For several members & friends seeking proper **residency papers**.
- For several members & friends who are looking for **jobs**.
- For Unity Funfe who is in Phoenix, Arizona and has begun a pre-dental school studies program in the US.
- For Kingsley Iwu in the loss of his father recently in Nigeria.
- For Shylate Iwu's mother who is recovering from an illness while visiting Shylate and Kingsley.
- For the father of Unity Funfe in Cameroon who is suffering reoccurring health issues.
- For the **newly born babies** in our church.
 - Griffin Ward Prevost (26 Sept. 09). Now at home doing well. The dedication service for Griffin is scheduled for January 3.
- For the new mothers in our church.
 - Sarah Ohihoin in the birth of Dasha, a baby girl. Mother and daughter are at home and both doing well.
- For **new and developing ministries** in our church:
 - Youth Ministry:** Be praying for God's continued blessings on this ministry and the search for a Youth Pastor. We are seeking to expand this ministry to reach a growing number of young people in our city. Pray for the Youth Ministry Leadership team as they lead the program during this interim period.
 - Youth Pastor Search: Be praying for the Youth Ministry Leadership Team as they begin the search for a new youth pastor. Early contacts have already produced several applications for the position. The team is moving toward a recommendation to come first to the Church Leadership Team and then to the entire membership.
- Prayer Ministry:** For the developing Prayer Ministry of our church, under Dean Edwards' leadership. The Prayer Ministry leads the pre-worship prayer service each week 30 minutes before the worship service. Detailed plans for a Prayer Ministry in our church are gradually taking shape. Pray that God will raise up people of deep prayer in our church.
- Women's Ministry:** For the emerging Women's Ministry of our church under the leadership of Alison Edwards. Pray for the Women's Ministry Leadership Team as they begin implementing plans for the remainder of the church year.
- Evangelism Ministry:** which is extending the outreach of our church into the Cologne / Bonn region. Pray for Mike Bergfeld, team leader, and the leadership team, as they lead the church in outreach.
- Children's Ministry:** We have continuing need of new workers to help with the Sunday School program for our children, and for the Bonn ministry on Friday evenings. Pray for Claire Cranford who has assumed the leadership role for the Children's Ministry Leadership Team as Children's Minister.
- For several individuals who have recently begun inquiring about the meaning and importance of believer's baptism.
- For Alexandra Cürten and Kenny Bergfeld, who have professed faith in Christ and are candidates for baptism. Our next baptism service will be in January.
- For several individuals who have been visiting our services and have indicated interest in joining our church.
- For newly baptized members of our church: Laura Brandt, Lynn Boum, Lyad, and Esli Densingh.
- For God's guidance in the continuing reorganization of our church for ministry to others. Proposals currently under development to be presented to the church hopefully in the near future include:
 - Children's Ministry in Cologne and Bonn.
 - Welcoming Ministry.
 - Building Ministry
 - Finance Ministry
 - Men's Ministry
 - Deacon Ministry
- For God's blessings and leadership in a developing relationship with the Bibel Hochschule Wiedenest. A presentation to the leadership and faculty of the school, given on Nov. 16, was warmly received by the school. Joint projects such as Internships and Practicums by

their students in our church is envisioned over time. Relationships with other area schools is envisioned as well. Initial contacts have already been made with the Bibel Hochschule in Bornheim and the Theologisches Seminar Elstal.

- For our church as we approach the new church year that begins on Feb. 1. General elections and a new church budget are two of the major items coming in the next few weeks.

IBC Bonn Concerns:

- For the spiritual needs of people in the Bonn/Bad Godesberg area. Pray that God will use this ministry to impact the lives of many people in the area. This is a joint project between the IBC Cologne and the GZM-EFG Baptist church in Bonn. God continues to bless this effort, but we need to reach out to new individuals to involve them in the study of the Bible.
- For Rev. Robert Purdy, the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Seabrook, Texas, son-in-law of Erna, one of the Baptisten Gemeinde members in Bonn. Rev. Purdy has serious health problems. We thank God for the current positive condition for Rev. Purdy.
- A special thank you to the Bonn Ministry Leadership Team of Cezar Layug, Edward and Monique Jikong for their work in leading our Friday evening ministry.
 - General Concerns:**
- For a positive implementation of the agreements coming out of the UN Copenhagen Summit on the environment. Pray that wise decisions by political leaders around the world will be made in order to protect the world that we live in from deepening man-made pollution.
- For the leaders of Germany as a new government begins to lead the country. Pray that these individuals will give good governmental leadership to our country.
- For the disaster stricken regions of our world which have been hit hard these past weeks with earth quakes, typhoons etc.

- Bro. Cezar has requested prayers especially for the suffering people of the Philippines who have suffered greatly under multiple typhoons during the past few weeks.
- For the continued economic recovery around the world, and especially for the poverty level people who have suffered the worst from the economic downturn.

- 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 now to over three billion people scattered all the way from Russia and India to China and the Koreans.
- For God's peace to reign in the war torn countries of Zimbabwe, Iraq, Afghanistan, Pakistan and other places.
- For the complete recovery of David Qualls, a member of the men's Sunday School class at First Baptist Church, Shelby, NC. David suffered a stroke and lost the use of his right arm and leg. He is undergoing rehabilitation treatments in the effort to regain the use of them, which thus far have been positive.

BEFGD Concerns

- For the celebration of Baptist heritage and history. Worldwide we are celebrating in 2009 four hundred years of Baptist work and witness beginning at Amsterdam in 1609. In Germany, we are celebrating 176 years of Baptist witness to the residents of Germany. Today over 105 million Baptists are found around the world, and some 88 thousand Baptists are in Germany.



- On the IBC CareNet Prayer Calendar: Pray for these IBC churches and pastors today
- Calahonda, Spain currently no pastor
- Madrid, Spain David & Susie Dixon, Tim Melton
- Rota, Spain Lanny Groves (interim)
- I received a note last week from Jim Troutman, a former student who has accepted the pastorate at Rota.

These IBC churches are currently seeking pastors:
Germany: Immanuel Baptist Church, Wiesbaden
IBC Hamburg

- IBC Hannover
- ICF Oberursel
- Netherlands: Emmanuel Baptist Church, Hoensbroek
- IBC Eindhoven
- Russia: Moscow International Christian Fellowship
- Slovakia: IBC Bratislava
- Spain: Calahonda Baptist Church
First Baptist Church Rota
- Tanzania: IBC Dar es Salaam

Lord, I Lift Your Name On High

Lord, I lift Your name on high,
Lord, I love to sing Your praises.
I'm so glad You're in my life,
I'm so glad You came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth to show the way.
From the earth to the cross my debt to pay;
From the cross to the grave,
From the grave to the sky;
Lord, I lift Your name on high.

Here I Am To Worship

Verse 1
Light of the world,
You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes, let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You.

Chorus:

*So, here I am to worship,
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely,
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonder to me*

Verse 2
King of all days,
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above,
Humbly You came to the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor

Bridge:
And I'll never know how much it cost,
To see my sin upon that cross.

Choruses for Today's Worship

Sing Hallelujah to the Lord

(Men)

Sing hallelujah to the Lord,
Sing hallelujah to the Lord,
Sing hallelujah, sing hallelujah,
Sing hallelujah to the Lord,

(Women)

Sing hallelujah to the Lord,
Sing hallelujah,
Hallelujah,
Sing hallelujah to the Lord.

Jesus is risen from the dead. . . (etc.)

Jesus is Lord of heaven and earth . . . (etc.)

Jesus is living in His church . . . (etc.)

Jesus is coming for His own . . . (etc.)

Joy To the World

Joy to the world! the Lord has come;
Let earth receive her King,
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven and nature sing,
And heaven, and heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth! the Savior reigns;
Your sweetest songs employ.
While fields and streams and hills and plans
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy!

He rules the world with truth and grace,
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
The wonders of His love,
The wonders of His love,
The wonder, the wonders of His love.

Go Tell It On the Mountain

Chorus

*Go tell it on the mountain,
Over the hills and everywhere;
Go, tell it on the mountain
That Jesus Christ is born!*

verse 1
While shepherds kept their watching
O'er silent flocks by night,
Behold throughout the heavens
There shone a holy light.

verse 2
The shepherds feared and trembled
When lo! Above the earth
Rang out the angel chorus
That hailed our Saviour's birth.

verse 3
Down in a lowly manger
The humble Christ was born,
And God sent us salvation
That blessed Christmas morn.

