

Weekly Schedule:

Sundays:

Choir Rehearsal 13:00 - 13:55¹

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, three through ten 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.

Nursery Care (1st - 3rd Sundays) 14:15 - 15:45

Youth Worship Service (2nd - 4th Sundays) 14:15 - 15:45

Single Women's Ministry Group (2nd - 4th Sundays) 15:45 - 16:30

Wednesdays:

Prayer Service & Bible Study (Köln: Escherstr. 160) 18:30 - 20:00

Fridays:

Prayer Service & Bible Study (Bonn: Mittelstr. 39) 19:00 - 20:30

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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.



International Baptist Convention

International Baptist Church of Cologne
a church that cares

The Worship of God

SUNDAY 14:00



25 APRIL 2010

We welcome you to our worship service.

Escher Straße 160 (Bilderstöckchen)
50739 Köln



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25 April 2010

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

We Praise God

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| Preparing for Worship | | Worship Team |
| Chorus | “Salvation Belongs to Our God“ | |
| Chorus | “I Lift Up My Hands“ | |
| Chorus | “Lord, I Come to You“ | |
| Welcome and Announcements | | Vivian von Piechowski |
| Birthday Recognitions | | Vivian von Piechowski |

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| A Summons to Praise | | Covenant Players |
| Invocation | | Bro. Lorin |
| Hymn of Praise | “What A Friend“ | Hymn nr. 182 |
| Children depart for Sunday School ¹ | | |

We Seek God's Care

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| The Sharing of Needs | | Congregation |
| Intercession for Needs | | Bro. Lorin |

We Share God's Saving Grace

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| Offertory Hymn | “Blessed Assurance“ | Hymn nr. 334 |
| Receiving the Offerings ² | | |
| Offertory Prayer | | |

We Hear God's Word

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| Dramatic Presentation | “Died: October 20“ | Covenant Players |
| Sermon | “Sacrificial Living,” Rom. 12:1-2 | Bro. Lorin |
| Invitation Hymn | “Softly and Tenderly“ | Hymn nr. 312 |
| Closing Dramatic Presentation | | Covenant Players |
| The Benediction | | Bro. Lorin |
| Closing Chorus | “Soon And Very Soon“ | |

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.



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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.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, 25 April:
 14:00 - 15:45 Covenant Players, special guests in our worship service
 16:00 - 17:00 Church Leadership Team monthly meeting

Wednesday, 28 April:
 18:30 - 20:00 Prayer and Bible Study at the Nathanael Kirche
 Session 05: Topic 3.3 Study of Colossians, Col. 1:21-23

Friday, 30 April:
 19:00 - 20:30 Prayer and Bible Study at BZW in Bonn (*Mittelstr. 39*)
 Session 03: Topic 3.1 Study of Colossians, Col. 1:9-12

Sunday, 2 May:
 14:00 - 15:45 Lord's Supper observance

Thursday, 6 May - Saturday, 8 May:
BEFGD Bundesratstagung, Stadthalle Kassel
“Gemeinsam dienen wir dem Herrn“ is the theme of the meeting

Sunday, 9 May:
 14:00 - 15:45 Mother's Day Worship Service

Friday, 21 May - Sunday, 23 May:
IBC Singles' Spring Conference, at Budapest, Hungary
“Giving Yourself Away“ is the theme

Sunday, 23 May:
 14:00 - 15:45 Dedication service of Joseph Akani

Sunday, 30 May:
 14:00 - 15:45 Dedication service of Calista Kenyinywaye

Thursday, 1 July:
 11:00 - 15:00 Joint meeting of leaders of IBC and BEFGD
 at the Theologisches Seminar at Elstal

Saturday 10 July - Thursday 15:
 IBC Interlaken Summer Experience
 Pastor Lorin will be leading one of the morning seminars

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Today, we welcome some special guests in our worship service. Cindy and Kevin Gourlay, Amy Lo and Tabea Laslo represent the **Covenant Players**, a professional Christian theater company from the Netherlands who will be giving dramatic presentations of biblical themes around the general theme of sacrificial living. Founded in 1963, CP presents original Christian themed plays written by founder, the late Charles M. Tanner, in service to schools, churches, hospitals, social service groups, the military, as well as corporate and community organizations.

The mission of Covenant Players is “to communicate the Lord Jesus Christ through the medium of drama.” However CP is able to tailor-make presentations for Christian or Secular clientele / audiences. Covenant Players (<http://www.covenantplayers.org/>) has been in continuous operation since it was launched on September 29, 1963.

CP's World Headquarters is located in Oxnard, California and their North American Headquarters in Toledo, Ohio. Around 60 full-time performing units serve in over 50 countries supported by principal offices located in Germany, Great Britain, Colombia, Australia and South Africa. Members are currently drawn from some two dozen nationalities.

We will receive a Love Offering for the group during the offering to help cover their expenses in making the trip to Cologne. Please place your offering in the special offering envelopes, and mark them “Covenant Players.”

Beginning on May 9, the **Single Women's Ministry Group** will have their first official meeting immediately after the worship service at the church. All single women in our church are invited to this meeting. The group will meet every second and fourth Sunday after the worship service. Rachel Holota-Mwakazi is the group leader.

Last Week's Record:

Sunday Attendance: 69

Offering: 281.19 €

Weekly Attend Avg: 76.37

Weekly Giving Avg: 285.39 €

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 25 April 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.
 - Edith Morgan
- For several members & friends seeking proper **residency papers**.
 - For Iyad Jawabr
- For several members & friends who are looking for **jobs**.
 - For Elias Kenyinwaye
- For members of our church needing to find a place to live.
- For members living in other parts of the world:
 - Unity Funfe who is in Phoenix, Arizona and enrolled in a pre-dental school studies program in the US.
 - Esli Densingh who is completing his bachelor's degree back home in India. Prayer for his acceptance into a master's program at the Cologne university.
 - For Shylate and Kingsley Iwu in their move to Norway.
- For new mothers in our church:
 - Anna Kenyinwaye
- Newly born babies** in our church.
 - Calista Kenyinwaye A dedication service for her is scheduled for May 30.
 - Joseph Akani, a dedication service is scheduled for May 23.
- 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.
- For the **Single Women's Ministry Group** that will begin meeting the second and fourth Sundays of each month after the afternoon worship service. Rachel Holota-Mwakazi is the group leader. Their first meeting is May 9. Pray that our church can minister to single women and mothers in our city through this program.
- Evangelism Ministry:** which is extending the outreach of our church into the Cologne / Bonn region. Pray for the leadership team, as they lead the church in outreach.
- Children's Ministry:** We have continuing need of new worker's to help with the Sunday School program for our children, and for the Bonn ministry on Friday evenings. Pray for Claire Cranford who serves as Children's Minister.
- For several individuals who have recently begun inquiring about the meaning and importance of believer's baptism.
- For several individuals who have been visiting our services and have indicated interest in joining our church.
- 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 the newly elected members in the church for ministry. God has raised up a solid core of individuals in the church who have committed themselves to service to the Lord through our church. Pray for God's blessings and guidance upon each one. Also, pray that the remaining gaps in ministry positions can be filled soon. Especially remember the Worship Team in their slow but steady restructuring.
- For Lynn Boum who has assumed the responsibility for arranging for the special music each week in the worship service.
- For Solomon Idemudia who has felt God's leading to assume the position of Worship Minister in our church.

- For the **Pastor Search** getting underway in the search for a new spiritual leader of the church. Pray that God will lead the CLT to the right person to recommend to the church.

IBC Bonn Concerns:

- For the spiritual needs of people in the Bonn/Bad Godesberg 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.
- Pray for the regular stream of new members coming to the Bible study.
- For the new Hauskreis meeting on Thursday evenings as an outgrowth of the Friday evening program. It is a supplementary study of our Friday evening Bible studies.
- 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 the leaders of Germany as the government seeks 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.
- 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 God's peace to reign in the war torn countries of Zimbabwe, Iraq, Afghanistan, Pakistan and other places.
- Especially for the war torn northern province in Nigeria where Christians and Muslims are in conflict with one another.
- 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 Koreas.
- PRAY FOR HAITI.** We must pray earnestly for the severely suffering people of the country of Haiti. Particularly be praying for the thousands of members of the 440 Baptist churches in Haiti as they seek to recover and also to minister to people around them. Pray for the large number of relief teams of Baptist laymen who are either already present and/or are on their way to Haiti. Teams of trained experts in disaster relief from different Baptist groups around the world are participating in this massive effort.

- For the victims of the earthquake in **Chili** as they struggle to put their lives back together and rebuild the cities and homes that were destroyed by the earthquake.

- For Baptists in Chilli especially. Some 250 Baptist churches were destroyed by the earthquake and the tidal waves that followed. Massive rebuilding of church facilities will be required in the coming months.
- For the victims of the cyclone in **Figi** who are recovering from the severe damage done on the island in the Pacific.
- For the victims in the mud slide in **Rio de Janeiro Brazil**.
- For the victims of the earthquake in **China**.
- For Bro. Thomas Cosmados, father of Heather Bergfeld, who underwent surgery recently. He is now recovering at home.
- For the nation of **Poland** in the loss of their governmental leaders.

BEFGD Concerns

- For the **administrative leadership of the Bund** as they seek to give guidance to Baptists across Germany in witness and ministry. Regina Claas is General Secretary; Andreas Lengwenath and Klaus Faatz lead the business and finance division; Christoph Stiba leads the missions division; Friedrich Schneider leads the church development division; Friedbert Neese leads the pastoral assistance division; Volker Spangenberg leads the Fachhochschule, Theologisches Seminar Elstal; Christian Rommert leads the youth ministries division. We need to pray daily for these individuals and their work of helping Baptist churches.
- For the leadership of the **Landesverband Rheinland** of the Bund. This is the regional organization of Baptists in our area. Frieder Nierstrat, Sabine Grzibek, and André Carouge serve as volunteer leaders of this group.
- For the BEFGD Annual Meeting on 6 - 8 May in the Stadthalle at Kassel. „VerBUNDen! – Gemeinsam dienen wir dem Herrn“ is the theme of the meeting.
- For the joint meeting of leaders from the IBC and the BEFGD on July 1 in Elstal.

Pray for the IBC churches currently without a pastor. We currently have ten churches seeking a pastor. But five of them have new pastors coming on board in April. And one more is considering a prospective pastor in May.

EBF Prayer Focus for this week: Union of Evangelical Christians-Baptists of Serbia and Montenegro:
Number of churches: 14
Number of church members: 700
President: Cedo Ralevic; Gen. Sec.: Dragisa Armus



Pray for these IBC churches and pastors today

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| Portimao, Portugal | David & Joy Borgan |
| Lagos, Portugal | David & Linda Chester |
| Bucharest, Romania | Bill & Natty Tully, |
| | Jonathon Moore-Crispin |

Salvation Belongs to Our God

Salvation belongs to our God,
Who sits on the throne,
And to the Lamb,
Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks,
Honour and power and strength;
*Be to our God forever and ever,
Be to our God forever and ever,
Be to our God forever and ever, amen.*

And we, the redeemed shall be strong,
In purpose and unity,
Declaring aloud,
Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks,
Honour and power and strength:
*Be to our God forever and ever,
Be to our God forever and ever,
Be to our God forever and ever, amen.*

I Lift My Hands

I lift my hands *(echo)*
To the coming King, *(echo)*
To the great I AM, *(echo)*
To You I sing, *(echo)*
For You're the One *(echo)*
Who reigns within my heart. *(all)*
*And I will serve no other god,
Or any other treasure;
You are my heart's desire,
Spirit without measure.
Unto Your name
I will bring my sacrifice.*

Choruses for Today's Worship

Lord, I Come to You

Lord, I come to You,
Let my heart be changed, renewed,
Flowing from the grace
That I found in You.
And Lord, I've come to know
The weaknesses I see in me
Will be stripped away
By the power of Your love.

*Hold me close,
Let Your love surround me.
Bring me near, draw me to Your side
And as I wait
I'll rise up like the eagle,
And I will soar with You,
Your Spirit leads me on
In the power of Your love.*

Lord, unveil my eyes,
Let me see You face to face,
The knowledge of Your love
As You live in me.
Lord, renew my mind
As Your will unfolds in my life,
In living every day
By the power of Your love.

Soon And Very Soon

Soon and very soon,
We are going to see the King
Soon and very soon,
We are going to see the King
Soon and very soon,
We are going to see the King
Hallelujah, Hallelujah!
We're going to see the King

No more crying there,
We are going to see the King
No more crying there,
We are going to see the King
No more crying there,
We are going to see the King
Hallelujah, Hallelujah!
We're going to see the King

No more dying there,
We are going to see the King
No more dying there,
We are going to see the King
No more dying there,
We are going to see the King
Hallelujah, Hallelujah!
We're going to see the King
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

Soon and very soon,
We are going to see the King
Soon and very soon,
We are going to see the King
Soon and very soon,
We are going to see the King
Hallelujah, Hallelujah!
We're going to see the King
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

