

# SHIPMAN FAMILY

## GERMANY



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Dear Pastor and praying friends:

**Things here are starting to get back to normal** which is allowing us to function again as a local church. We have to provide hand disinfection solution and practice 1,5meter distancing in the church.

**Jacob and Shay are presently at 72% raised** in just over one year, which is a huge testimony for Christ and the many mission minded churches who have partnered with them. *We are praying* that they will be able to make the move to Germany just after the first of the year 2021. We are very excited to the fresh new energy they will bring to the ministry here.

**Bro. A has been called to preach** and his wife, D helps in our music ministry with piano and singing. (photo 06/2020) They both were baptized in our church and have continued to grow and serve. After months of training, he has started preaching in some of our midweek services and I am very impressed by the effort he puts into his sermons and the youth Sunday School class he teaches. Some time back last year, Bro. A called to ask me what hindered him from preaching. After meeting with them and going over biblical requirements that the Lord required, and some that as a church were required for testimony and order, and answered there many questions, this young couple agreed to pray about those issues still lacking in their lives. Within a week, we saw immediate evidence of godly changes and then Bro. A confirmed that they had indeed decided to make a clean break and submit to the Lord's leading in all areas of godly authority and practice. They decided to live separated lives: to include music, dress and faithfulness that is far too uncommon amongst believers today. *Pray they remain steadfast in their conviction*, as they face lots of questions regarding those decisions, and in some cases, even persecution. Their obvious submission to the Lord, has had a positive effect on others in our church to make some changes in their lives as well. **Be encouraged, this is fruit to your account!** The "ecumenical movement" is big here and many Christians do not put any importance in taking a stand in the area of separation. Many Christians today never hear of the Doctrine of Separation nor realize that the love of this world is God's enemy.



**All of our members have remained faithful** insofar as they have been able to physically and legally. Each seems genuinely desirous to meet with their church brethren for the purpose of mutual edification through the Word, service and fellowship. It blesses my soul to see the affection each has for the other and the willingness to be a help and blessing wherever needed.

**We continue to preach the Word, distribute tracts, visit the lost, teach the Bible Institute class, minister to the elderly for their spiritual and physical needs, disciple the young in Christ and encourage the saints.**

*Pray for our family.* This time that our sons have been able to "homeschool" through the public school they attend has been a tremendous blessing. We have used this unprecedented time to strengthen the bond we as a family share, mend areas where Satan and the flesh were trying to breach the stronghold, and knit our hearts tighter together. **We love serving the Lord here in Germany together and praise God for the privilege!** Our hearts are encouraged to remember that our supporting churches, through prayer and funds, are lifting us up before the Lord for His help, strength, wisdom and guidance in matters of our family and the ministry. Thank you and *please continue to pray*, because our time is drawing near when the Lord will return and we desire to take as many souls as possible with us!

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Missionary in Germany