

Rob & Lynnell Dodson US Military in Germany

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The Dodson Crew started the month of March hitting the ground running. Everyone jumped right in at Rheinland Baptist Church. Rob has been working in the Audio/Visual ministry, covered Pastor Woody's Sunday school, and working with the Teen Group. The Dodson kids have been involved in the

children's choir and will be going through a music

Dear Pastors & Prayer Warriors,



school this summer. They are excited about these opportunities. Brendan felt led to learn how to run the Audio/Visual ministry. He has picked it up so well and been a tremendous help.



Lynnell was diligent in securing a job which would give us the logistical support status we needed to homeschool our children and for other reasons. She has been a Homeschool Educator for over 20 years, and it had been a while since she worked in the civilian sector. Lynnell said it was nerve racking going through interviews because it had been so long. Praise the Lord, after applying to many jobs and experiencing these interviews, she was hired to work in a school cafeteria. The Dodson kids call her "Lunch Lady Momma" and Rob

calls her "Iron Chef Momma." Please pray the Lord will open doors for Lynnell to share the Good News with her co-workers.

Before moving to Germany, Rob had met a member at one of our supporting churches in Jacksonville, Florida. He put him in contact with one of his Marine buddies. Rob began communicating with Scott through email and text. Rob and Scott were able to meet at a local coffee shop in Landstuhl, Germany. It was an honor to sit with this Marine veteran and hear about his Marine service and career as a private investigator. **Please pray for Scott's health.**





During the month of March, Rheinland had the annual Faith Promise Missions Emphasis Month. We had missionaries from France, Germany, Spain, and with the R.O.M.A. ministries in Romania. It was wonderful to meet and spend time with them each Sunday evening over ice cream and coffee. Rob had

the opportunity to meet a former Rheinlander, CMSgt Green who was on temporary duty at Ramstein Air Base for a few days. It was such a blessing to spend time with him and hear his salvation testimony at Rheinland many years ago. **Please pray for these missionaries and others** which Rheinland supports. Also, pray for Chief and Mrs. Green as they seek the Lord's direction after a long Air Force career.

At this year's Easter service, we had seven guests of our own. We had the opportunity to catch up with a former troop of Rob's when we were stationed at Little Rock Air Force Base in Arkansas. It had been years since we had seen Zach and his wife Jessica. We got to meet their son Benjamin.





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We also had Scott, who we mentioned previously, and his wife Kelley and our landlords Sascha and Nicole as our guests. Please pray the Lord will open doors to minister to these families.

We have been going out into the nearby villages doing tract work and sharing the Gospel when opportunities present themselves. Here in Germany, it is not illegal to place tracts and/or Gospel materials into mailboxes. The Dodson kids love seeing how many tracts they can put in mailboxes before their siblings. Nothing like a little sibling competition. **Please pray as we continue the tract work/evangelism in these neighboring villages.**

The toughest part of military missions is the constant rotation of U.S. military personnel. We had a "going-away" dinner for two faithful servants of Rheinland and to say, "see ya later." In the short amount of time, we have been here, we have really gotten to know James and Missy. They both will be deeply missed. Before leaving, many of us helped Missy with a few of her projects. Her new carpet project did not get completed but is planned to be completed soon. However, the painting project and the props for the Euro-wide Ladies Retreat did get finished. **Pray for the Touchstones as they head to their next assignment.**

The Euro-wide Ladies Retreat was such a blessing to the nearly 80 ladies who attended. Many Rheinlanders put countless hours into this successful event. Mrs. Patti Appleby was an amazing speaker in the main sessions. Also, had some pastor and missionary's wives speak in the break-out sessions. Faith was excited about attending the retreat because it was her first time. **Pray for the decisions which were made and for next year's retreat on 24-26 April 2025.**



In our last prayer letter, we shared our new phone numbers. I was informed by Lynnell that I made a mistake with her phone number. Please note the correction in the left column. You will also notice we now have an Army & Air Force post office (APO) box. This is where all mail can be sent without any issues.

Thank you for your prayers and support! If you have any prayer requests you would like us to lift to the Lord, please send them our way. We will add them to our prayer ministry.

In Christ, Your Missionaries, Rob & Lynnell Dodson & Kids

Praises:

- Lynnell was hired to work at a middle school cafeteria.
- Great Euro-wide Ladies Retreat.

Prayer Requests:

- Tract work/evangelism in the villages.
- RBC Friend Day on May 19th.
- Open doors at Lynnell's work to share the Gospel.
- Our parents' health.
- Our three young adults; college final grades, summer work programs.
- Lost relatives for salvation; for saved relatives to return to church.