



Rob & Lynnell Dodson US Military in Germany

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Dear Pastors & Prayer Warriors,

Thank you so much for your support last year and for this new year! The Dodson Crew hopes everyone had a blessed Christmas & New Years. The past two months we had a few guests here at the Dodson residence. Lynnell's parents and two of her aunts came for a visit. They were a blessing and an encouragement to us. It was such an amazing opportunity to witness one of her aunt's first trip outside of the United States. We look forward to your next visit, Mom, Dad, Aunt Barbara, and Aunt Martha.



Rob, Brendan, Faith, and Nolan attended the Teen Christmas Banquet hosted by Rheinland Baptist Church (RBC). There were a few ministries represented by pastors, pastor kids, missionary kids, and military kids from the region. We enjoyed a great time of fellowship, singing, games, and getting fed (both physically and spiritually). Brother John Hallman from another military ministry, Heritage Baptist Church, gave a great challenge. **Please pray for RBC's youth ministries.**



Rob was blessed with a couple opportunities to fill the pulpit for Brother Clark at Rhein River Baptist Church in Mannheim, Germany. This ministry is an English-speaking international church. Rob had a wonderful time with this church family. Thank you again, Brother Clark!



It was such a blessing to have Bryce and Grace here and to have the whole Dodson Crew together for Christmas and New Years. Just like Aunt Martha, it was Bryce's first time out of the United States.



Lynnell and I were sad to miss the Dodson kids first drama performance during the RBC Christmas Cantata, but we did get to watch it later on social media. Everyone did a great job! Lynnell and I took a couple of nights away for our wedding anniversary. We are thankful for our friends, the Bangs, for allowing us to stay with them. We had a wonderful time of fellowship with them. They treated us to fish & chips for dinner and a traditional English breakfast. We spent Sunday morning with them at Peacehaven Baptist Church, followed by their Christmas potluck and gift exchange. They have a great ministry in Cambourne.



The kids voted on a family trip instead of presents. So, we went to London with the whole crew. It reminded me of leading a team on a deployment by making sure everyone made it through security, getting on the plane, etc. The Dodson Crew enjoyed our days navigating the underground train to get to the many places we wanted to visit. In the evenings, we stopped by a supermarket to take advantage of the "5 Euro



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Meal Deal” for dinner or stop somewhere else. It had been a while since we had been on a family vacation with everyone there.



Around RBC, there have been some maintenance projects going on, such as replacing broken tiles in the auditorium, fixing the front door, repairing the roof on the annex building, cleaning up the property, and much more. Most of this is in preparation for our March Missions Month and the Euro-wide Ladies Retreat in April. **Please pray for the missionaries who will be traveling in March and as well for the ladies traveling in April. A special prayer for our favorite guest speaker, Mrs. Patti Appleby.**

This year is going to be a huge transition for many people. Grace has prayed about transferring from PCC to Bill Rice Bible College in the fall. She believes this is God’s plan for her. Grace will be working at Bill Rice Ranch in the summer and then start college there. Bryce is taking some time off from college, staying in Pensacola, and continuing to work at the print shop. **Please pray for Bryce and Grace in this time of change.**

There will be some upcoming rotations in the coming months. The hardest part of a military ministry is having to tell close friends...see ya later. One of our biggest fans and prayer warrior, Brother Johnson, underwent a permanent change of station back to Washington D.C. We miss him dearly, but we are looking forward to seeing him in the future. The Lord has a plan for Brother Johnson, and we will be praying for him in this transition and for opportunities for him to serve the Lord in D.C. **Please pray for the ministry of Rheinland Baptist Church.**



Much still needs to be done for the cause of Christ. Please pray for our weekly outreach ministry. Pray for more laborers in this work as we continue to leave tracts in mailboxes in the Kaiserslautern Military Community. Pray for open doors to share the Good News.

We pray for you all often. But if you have something specific which you would like us to pray for, please send them our way.

In Christ,
Rob & Lynnell Dodson & Family

Praises:

- Lynnell’s medical clearance to return to work.
- Bryce & Grace making it back to Florida safely.
- The Lord for providing a job and housing for Bryce in Florida.

Prayer Requests:

- Continued prayer for Lynnell’s recovery
- The Dodson young adult children.
- Our lost relatives.
- Transitions for Bryce & Grace and those departing RBC.
- Outreach/Tract Ministry.
- Youth Ministry and March Missions Month at RBC.
- Euro-Wide Ladies Retreat, 24-26 April at RBC, Speaker: Mrs. Appleby.