

Jay & Sheila German East Mission Journal

Date: 3-21-2014 (Fri.)

Schedule: Jay & Sheila shared at the Magdeburg Fellowship (7:00 – 8:40 pm)

Stepping out of the Leipzig Gospel Center in the afternoon, people were wearing short sleeves T on the street. By the time we arrived at Magdeburg, it was raining, chilly, with gusty wind that could blow us away! We should have brought umbrella!

Contrary to the chilly weather outside, inside the church meeting place, brothers & sisters greeted us and one another with very warm welcome. Right away, we felt this is truly a loving fellowship group.

There were a total of 22 people attending. That's amazing in this bad weather, and the fact that students were still on winter vacation. We asked and found out the month of Feb. & March are school winter vacation months.

We started with worship. Brothers & sisters are truly worshipping, praising the Lord. It's not just a waiting time, or a formality. No wonder when we started sharing, we felt their hearts were so ready and attentive to hearing God's words.

We shared the same passage "Jesus Forgive & Heals a Paralyzed" Mark 2. Tonight we focused more on verse 5, "And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven."

We are amazed to see with the same passage shared, the reaction/response can be so different. After the Bible study, a co-worker stood up and shared that at the last Sunday prayer meeting, they were praying how to improve and grow the Magdeburg Fellowship. They were so happy and encouraged from tonight's message on "through their faith, bring people to Jesus" like the four persons in the script.

We were so glad to hear his sharing. That encouraged us and made the long walk in the gusty wind, in the chilly and rainy night to share God's words with them so worthwhile.

