

A Sunny Summer

Dresden, July—September 2021

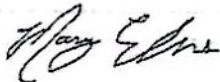
This summer has had its ups and downs, dealing with constantly changing Corona virus regulations. Thankfully, Café Story has been able to remain open. I was finally able to get vaccinated in July. I am so thankful for the doctors who are working tirelessly to fight the pandemic. I praise God that I was able to be vaccinated, to both protect myself and all the families that I interact with at the Café.

In August, we held our first Open Mic Night since early last year. It was so great to see old friends return! Our regular MC's young daughter made her stage debut to open the night. In September, we had a whole slew of new performers, who ended up having a extra long impromptu jam session. I love that our Café has become a place where artists feel comfortable enough to try something new.

I had some new cultural experiences this summer. In August, I went to a German oral surgeon and had my wisdom teeth removed. The doctor did an amazing job of calming my anxiety and the whole experience was very positive for me. Also, the price was a fraction of what it would cost for the same service in the United States. Then, in September, I had my first haircut in a German salon! This was another whole type of anxiety for me, but it ended up being a very pleasant experience. My hair looks really cute now! These things seem simple, but making appointments in a another language and with different cultural expectations can be difficult learning experiences.

Personally, I feel that this summer was, in many ways a challenge, both physically and mentally. Because of many changing Corona regulations, ministry plans often either got left behind or delayed. Please pray for wisdom for both myself and the whole Café Story team as we continue to deal with these uncertain times. As always, I thank God and am so grateful to you for your continued support.

In Him,




Our Bible Study group had a summer picnic in *Großer Garten*, a big, beautiful park near where I live.



Our Open Mic Night host, Marcus, playing guitar while his daughter sings for the first time in front of a crowd. She did great!



A recent photo of me in the Café

Contact me while I'm here!

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WHAT TO PRAY FOR!

- CAFÉ STORY
- HEALTH AND SAFETY
- LANGUAGE LEARNING
- NEW MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES
- CONTINUED FINANCIAL SUPPORT