

We extend a very warm welcome particularly to anyone who is joining us at IBC Bremen for the first time today and invite you to share a cup of tea/coffee with us at the back of the church after the service.

The sermons delivered during the weekly worship services are available to listen to on our website:
www.ibc-bremen.de

Dates for your diary

Sunday 1 October	18:30	Meals for Missions in support of Chrissie
Saturday 14 October	10:00	Men's Ministry and Women's Ministry
Saturday 28 October	19:30	Monthly Prayer Meeting
Saturday 29 October	19:30	Worship Service including the Lord's Supper

Space for notes

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How to give to International Baptist Church Bremen

As well as making donations during the weekly worship service, you can also transfer your tithe / offering directly to our bank account. If you would like to donate in this way, please use the following bank details:

Bank: Spar- und Kreditbank, Bad Homburg

IBAN: DE93 5009 2100 0001 1696 96

Income August	Expenses August	Total August
Approx. € 4,909.00	Approx. € 6,100.00	Minus € 1,191.00

Income July	Expenses July	Total July
€ 6,200.00	€ 6,100.00	Plus € 100.00

Welcome to



"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." Matthew 28:19

September 2017

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Getting involved

Joint day out – Women's Ministry & Men's Ministry

Join us for a hike in the Hasbruch forest on Saturday 9 September!

Potluck and barbecue at the Benckerts' afterwards.

Meet at 08:50 at the Hauptbahnhof (front entrance, next to ticket machines).

More info to follow by email or speak to Debbie, Marge, Ole or Victor.

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Church Retreat

We thank God for a wonderful weekend away as a church family last month. Many of you have fed back to us about the numerous fine aspects to it, including a superb Saturday night bonfire and entertainment, great sports together, fantastic child care, and most of all Pastor Jimmy's words to us on "Growing as a Gospel Centred Community", based on Paul's letter to the Philippians.

There were many indications of God mightily at work among us.

We're also grateful to all the people who played their part in making the weekend such a success.

As Paul Louis Metzger writes in his book "God's New Humanity" (which Jimmy recently recommended to me), "God builds the new community of Pentecost on the ancient ruins of Babel". In other words, he builds his church which reflects his love to the needy world around us on our new patient, selfless love for one another, that we have when we become Christians, as opposed to our own old attempts at making a name for ourselves that predominated in us before we were believers. As we've seen in recent Sundays, John 17:23 makes clear that the world will know that God sent his Son when we live in the unity that is flowing from the love of God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. And in which we participate when we are part of God's new humanity in union with Jesus Christ.

The weekend away was a great help in thinking through some implications of this. For example, one of the key teachings was how Paul refers 10 times in the letter to the vital importance of the likemindedness, or one mindedness of Christian believers; that the secret of a healthy happy church, one that is growing especially in reaching lost people and making them disciples, is that it is a church that is together, having the same focus and vision, all going in the same direction.

And therefore much of the practical teaching was about the humility, gentleness, servant-hearted love and prayerfulness that makes this happen. Now is the time to continue to pray and grow and love one another into living this out! God bless you as you join us in our being and growing as a gospel centred community, a community of God's new humanity among the nations in Bremen!

With love and prayers for you all, Your Pastor Paul

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Events in September 2017

Friday 1 September	06:00	Men's Prayer Meeting
Sunday 3 September	16:00	Worship Service followed by fund-raising "Meals for Missions" in support of Chrissie
Monday 4 September	18:30	Young Adults' Group
Wednesday 6 September	19:30	Prayer Meeting
Friday 8 September	06:00	Men's Prayer Meeting
Saturday 9 September		Women's Ministry / Men's Ministry (for more info see opposite page)
Sunday 10 September	16:00	Worship Service
Monday 11 September	18:30	Young Adults' Group
Wednesday 13 September	19:30	Prayer Meeting
Friday 15 September	06:00	Men's Prayer Meeting
Sunday 17 September	16:00	Worship Service
Monday 18 September	18:30	Young Adults' Group
Wednesday 20 September	19:30	Prayer Meeting
Friday 22 September	06:00	Men's Prayer Meeting
Sunday 24 September	16:00	Worship Service incl. the Lord's Supper
Monday 25 September	18:30	Young Adults' Group
Wednesday 27 September		No Prayer Meeting this week – Saturday instead!
Saturday 30 September	19:30	Monthly Prayer Meeting

Midweek events take place **downstairs in the "Billiard Café"** - unless indicated otherwise in the list above. Please use the **back entrance** to the church.