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Dear praying friends across Europe –

There are prayer topics where we know for sure that they are in God's will i.e. everywhere where the kingdom is improving and growing. We know exactly that we should pray against something which is sinful and the work of darkness. God's Word is clear in both.

But there are many issues where we are not sure how to pray. What is God's will in the case of Brexit? It split the Body of Christ in Britain. Or how to pray for the German elections? Certainly every voter has his/her preference. And of course we should ask the candidates spiritually relevant questions (about Gender, Israel, Family, Justice, the Poor, etc.). But the mainstream prayer of the Church is – in words or in the Spirit – the proclamation of the Good Will of God to land in our midst. "YOUR will be done", alone! And nothing besides!



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The German Elections

As the last of the countries with national elections relevant for Europe in 2017 Germany will hold its elections for the parliament and a new government on the 24th September. Contrary to Holland, France and Great Britain there is no danger of an Anti-European outcome. Neither Angela Merkel (CDU) as the most probable winner, nor her competitor Martin Schulz (SPD), former President of the European Parliament, will endanger European cooperation and Germany's supportive role in it. And even among the German people Europe is regaining support more and more. Germany and Europe belong steadfastly together.

The problem of these elections is that there is no competition of alternatives. The concepts of the parties are similar except that of the left (Linke) and the right (AfD); but no other party will make a coalition with them. So only 4 parties are left: CDU, SPD, Greens and Liberals (FDP). Since the winner and her favorite partner (FDP) is already clear, the danger of a low turnout is at hand. Which gives a chance as always to the radicals.

Besides the lack of alternative concepts and the foreseeable result, the third factor for this drowsiness is the German mentality.

Please also pray for

- Deconstruction of the personality destroying Gender ideology.
- Prayer Conference of the "European Union of Prayer", 22-28 September 2017 in Tallinn, Estonia.

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Germans dislike hot political dispute: they want peace and security. And this is Angela Merkel in person: Mrs. Stability. Therefore she is honoured and respected by the majority of the people.

But what we need in this country would be a visionary person like Emmanuel Macron who inspires his whole nation. We need a strong opposition again in the parliament presenting effective alternatives, after 4 years of a mini opposition.

We need many credible personalities again in our new parliament and government; thank God we have had many of them so far. We need Christians in leading positions.

Please pray with us:

- "Your will be done in Germany as it is in heaven!"
- Pray for a high poll and clear majorities.
- Pray for Christians in top positions in the new parliament and government.
- Pray for a spirit of humble servanthood for Germany in its stability to the nations of Europe.
- Pray for God inspired innovation in all areas of life.
- Pray for a strong spiritual awakening for Germany with an impact on the whole of culture, society, and politics, and radiating into all Europe.