

Meeting Hall purchase for the Church in Stuttgart, Germany

Background:

The church in Stuttgart was established in 1976. Our dear Brother Lee visited Stuttgart at least four times to minister and release messages in the following books: *The Kernel of the Bible* in 1977; part of *The Heavenly Ministry of Christ* and part of *The Completing Ministry of Paul* in 1980; part of *The Divine Dispensing of the Divine Trinity* in 1983; and part of *God's New Testament Economy* in 1984.

The church in Stuttgart has not had a permanent meeting location since the Plieningen meeting hall, the former meeting hall that Brother Witness Lee designed, was taken over by the opposers in the late 1980s. Since then, the church has been meeting in rented venues. Currently, there are around 65 saints and 15 children and young people in the church.

In fellowship with the co-workers, the brothers in Stuttgart identified a meeting hall in Stuttgart-Rohr that meets the needs of the church.

Location of the property:

- Close to where many saints live and to the university (within a 10-minute travel by car).
- Easy access to public transport: trains, trams, buses (all within a 5-minute walking distance).
- A public park with spacious green areas suitable for picnics, recreation, gospel outreach, etc., and two playgrounds for children right next to the property.
- Located between commercial and residential areas.

Description of the building:

- The size of the lot is 401 m² (about 4300 ft²), and the total usable space is 855 m² (about 9200 ft²).
- Ground floor - space for an industrial kitchen, a large room for multiple use, and multiple storage areas.
- First floor - Main hall with a seating capacity of 150 to 170, and a lobby/library/reading area (55 m²) and an office (50 m²).
- Second floor - Three relatively large rooms (sizes vary between 16 m² and 19 m²), Two medium size rooms and one smaller room for multiple use, a lobby/sitting area, and a spacious terrace.
- Four private parking spots and thirteen public parking spaces right next to the property that are free could be potentially purchased.

Potential use of the meeting hall and adjacent park

- Church meetings, love feasts, children's activities, young people and student events, etc.
- Video training and blending gatherings with other churches.
- Regional conferences for young people, students, young adults, etc.

Purchase and Renovation costs and process

- On October 14, 2022, a purchase contract was signed with January 1, 2023, as the deadline for the payment. The purchase price, including taxes and additional fees, was around €1,555,000.
- We thank the Lord that the pledges and cash donations for the meeting hall received so far have sufficiently covered the purchase price.
- However, in order to start the Phase I remodeling and renovation work immediately after the closing of the purchase contract in January 2023, an additional €500,000 is urgently needed.

Therefore, we would like to take this opportunity to open this financial need to all the churches in the Lord's recovery and look to the Lord, our Head, to meet this need through His abundant supply in His Body.

If you are burdened to give toward the remodeling and renovation expenses for the Stuttgart meeting hall, please visit the Donation page at ElimSprings.de/english. To donate using PayPal or credit card, click on the "Donate" button and add a comment "Donation: Stuttgart Meeting Hall." Alternatively, you can donate by bank/wire transfer. Please add "Donation: Stuttgart Meeting Hall" to the bank reference. Donations can also be sent to LME by following directions at lordsmove.org/offering.html. Designate offerings for "Stuttgart Meeting Hall."

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