

## The Graf House

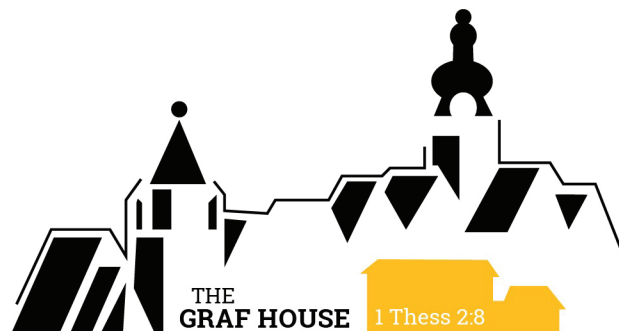
### *Dear Friends of The Graf House,*

We wanted to update you on some recent changes with Cadence's ministry there. But first, we'd like to say thank you for all of your involvement with The Graf House over the years, whether that's been through serving, participating, praying, staffing, donating, or supporting in other ways. So many people have played various roles over the years in the fruitful ministry that has taken place within the walls of this special place. Thank you.

As you know, The Graf House holds a special place in the hearts of me and my wife, Aimee, as we started this ministry in 2008. We'd especially like to thank Anthony and Jessica Amor, and Tim and Michelle Bradford, all of whom have done fabulous ministry there.

### **A TEMPORARY CLOSING**

We wanted to let you know that The Graf House is pausing its ministry and temporarily closing its doors because we do not currently have staff to fill it. At one point we thought we might have to close the doors permanently and give up the rental agreement on the house. Yet we are experiencing the work of God in the midst of this transition. The owners of the building, who are friends of Cadence, have found renters for the next two to three years. That timeframe allows us the opportunity to seek new staff for this amazing place that I and so many others have called a home-away-from-home. God is showing Himself to be faithful as He is always faithful, even as we don't understand the timing of events.



### **PRAYERS FOR A REOPENING**

Many of you reading this letter have been to The Graf House, have sat in these chairs, have laughed, cried, and played here. You know how important this place is. It's not just the physical property that is amazing, it is the spiritual work God has continued to do in all of our lives. We are very sad it won't be open to the military community in the next couple of years, but we are prayerful that the Holy Spirit will open its doors again soon, and that he will provide the workers to reach the harvest here:

*Jesus went through all the towns and villages, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and healing every disease and sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." (Matthew 9:35–38, NIV)*







Pray with us that Jesus would send workers into the harvest fields. We were on the brink of losing this facility permanently, and so having these new renters in place has the fingerprints of God all over it. We continue to have people come through the candidacy process and join Cadence, and our recruitment team is actively looking for people who would be the right fit for ministry in Grafenwöhr. Pray with us for that divine appointment.

### SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE

We understand the impact this pause in ministry will have on all who have supported the house or who have been a part of it. But we hold onto the hope that two to three years into the future we will reopen the doors of The Graf House and will continue the years of wonderful ministry that have taken place there. When we do re-open, there will be initial ministry expenses and we will need seed money to get it up and running again. The Graf House account at Cadence

will remain open, and if God is moving in your heart to contribute to that fund, you will be sowing seeds for future fruitful ministry. (If for some reason it were to not open in the future, those funds would be used to support another Cadence ministry in Germany.)

In the meantime, thank you again for your past, present and future partnership with The Graf House. As you know, 1 Thessalonians 2:8 is the Cadence theme verse. We truly were delighted to share the Gospel and our lives with us because you were, and still are, so dear to us.

Together (Koinonia), in Christ,

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