Rev. Dr. Christian and Gudula Tiews Missionary Pastor Serving the Lord in Germany



The Rev. Dr. Christian (Chris) and Gudula (Lula) Tiews serve the Lord as career missionaries through The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) in Germany. As a missionary pastor, Christian works with the Independent Evangelical Lutheran Church (SELK), the Synod's partner church in Germany, to reach out to Farsi-speaking immigrants from the Middle East. In addition, he is a theological instructor in the English-language Bachelor of Theology program offered by the Luther Academy, Riga, Latvia, and a mentor of future pastors.

Christian was born in Munich, Germany. He earned a bachelor's degree from Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich and a master's degree from the Christian-Albrecht University of Kiel, Germany, before working as a translator and salesman for several German companies. He later earned a Master of

Divinity from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, (2009) and a Doctor of Ministry from Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne (2017). Before becoming a missionary, he served as associate pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, Tulsa, Okla., (2009-2015) and as sole pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Okmulgee, Okla. (2015-2021). He has also translated a number of theological works from German to English for Concordia Publishing House. In his free time, Christian enjoys spending time with his family, reading, hiking and sailing.

Lula was born in Telgte, Germany. She earned a bachelor's degree in library science from the University of Applied Sciences in Cologne, Germany. Prior to serving as a missionary, Lula worked as an IT consultant and enterprise architect. While homeschooling

their children, she provided pro-bono IT support to churches and served as a travel director and Airbnb host. These experiences were instrumental in leading her and Christian to help establish sister city relations

between Tomball, Texas, and Telgte, Germany. She now utilizes her IT and management expertise in support of the mission work in Eurasia. In her free time, Lula enjoys traveling, reading, hiking, studying, cooking and baking sourdough bread. She and Christian have six children and three grandchildren.

Please pray for Christian and Lula as they engage in ministry in Germany. Ask the Lord to give courage and confidence to them as they share the Good News of Jesus Christ with the people they meet. Give thanks that Christian and Lula are serving God's children in this part of the world.

BIRTHDAYS: Christian — July 1, Gudula — Dec. 7

ANNIVERSARY: Oct. 21 HOME DISTRICT: Oklahoma



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