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Dear Friends,

Where's my home?

The tension in life of the second generation and where they can find inner strength and peace.

In June 2019, the monthly one-day seminar of the Integration Accompanier Training in Aarau dealt with the topic "Secondos". It was designed by the MEOS staff members Barbara and Johannes Müller (African Link). This training helps people who want to establish contacts with migrants to cultivate or develop sensitivity for other cultures.

Intern Susanna Pope, who herself grew up in three countries, describes her impressions of the topic of this day seminar.

Understanding migrant children better

Sensitivity is very important, especially for migrant children, because they get the feeling from everywhere that they don't belong. A young woman with Tamil roots, who grew up in Switzerland (and speaks Swiss German), is addressed on the street in High German. A teenager of Croatian origin is denied access to discotheques - only because of his foreign-sounding name.

But many migrant children are also not at home in the culture of their parents. They think and act differently because they are shaped by Switzerland. A Tamil father put it this way: "Our children are coconut children - brown on the outside, white on the inside".

Between two worlds

This is how a young person with African roots feels: "In Switzerland I am the African. But in Africa I am Swiss. Wherever I go, I do not fully belong there." At home he speaks Lingala and can eat very skillfully with his hands. He speaks perfect Swiss German on the streets and is ashamed when his mother carries

her shopping home on her head. He is at home in both worlds, but also feels strange in both.

At home in God

So where's home? Jesus also struggled with this question. He said of himself that he was homeless: "The foxes have their burrow and the birds their nests; but the Son of Man has no place to rest" (Matthew 8:20). Still in the same chapter, only a few verses after this statement, we find Jesus in the middle of the lake: "Suddenly a mighty storm broke loose, so that the waves crashed over the boat" (verse 24). And what did Jesus do? He slept. Jesus had no place to rest. And yet he came to rest everywhere. His secret? He had his home in God.

Adapted from an article in the MEOS meinNächster originally written in German by Susanna Pope.

MEOS moves to the southern edge of Zürich City

Big step. Better conditions.

This move is a big step for MEOS. For almost 30 years MEOS was known at the address in Zürich - Schwamendingen. We look back on this time with much gratitude for what God has done! How many Bibles, calendars and pieces of evangelistic literature left that building? How many conversations in how many languages took place at Hirzenbachstrasse? But now it is time to take a step forward and shape the future. Our new situation: all rooms on one floor, much better financial and structural conditions, directly at the train station, better adapted to today's needs.

Focus on the future and ministry

The move to Adliswil is a step into the future. Today we are digitally networked and flexible. The MEOS employees work decentralized, often only coming to

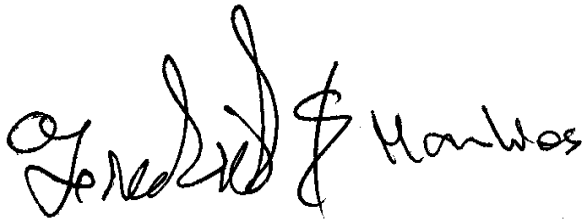
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Zürich for meetings. MEOS needs a headquarter and offices, in order to meet. It is also very important to director Niklaus Meier that all offices are on the same floor, as this promotes a close, profitable co-operation. "Especially with such an international and often scattered team, this visible proximity to each other is very important. This strengthens the people and their service!

Excerpt adapted from an article in the MEOS meinNächster originally written in German by Hans Ueli Beereuter

Thank you all for your prayer and financial support of our ministry in 2019. We wish you and yours a blessed New Year in 2020!

Frederick and Marlies Henderson



Prayer and Praise

- Pray for Oliver as he looks for work as a design engineer.
- Pray for Alice in her apprenticeship as a fine carpenter.
- Praise that MEOS was able to move offices and settle in quickly.

