

## Cornerstone University Chorale

### Giving thanks to God with Quotes from Europe 2013 Tour

"I came to the concert tonight very tired, but now I am energized. Tonight heaven and earth have come together.

"We are so grateful that you visited us at our church! Our sanctuary was built for a service like you presented! The concert was a real communion with the Lord and us together. Please inform us when you are coming to Europe next!" (Pastor János Berze, Buda Street Reformed Church, Székesfehérvár, Hungary, pictured at the right).



"The music touched me so deeply; there are no words" (Joe, concert attendee in Székesfehérvár, Hungary).

"After hearing the first concert I had to invite my family. My mom and sister came to the concert last night at Csepel. My sister had goose bumps all the time, and said that you were better than the music on Sister Act I and II" (Akos Fodor, tour manager from Hungary).



"The performance was fantastic. We felt the presence of God. Many said that beyond the beautiful musical experience they had been filled spiritually. Even the organization of the concert was a blessing of God to us. If you have a tour in Europe next time, please do not miss Csepel!" (Szilvia Oszkó, music teacher and concert organizer in Budapest-Csepel, Hungary, pictured at the left).

"We all need angels. We rarely see them. Tonight we did" (Pastor Mátyás Zólyomi, Csepel Lutheran Temple, Budapest-Csepel, Hungary).

"It was a gloomy, rainy day, but when you arrived the sun came out. Thank you for the special words you sang for the soul. This has been a very special opportunity for the community. Please come back" (Anna Abramovičová, Mayor of Košariská, pictured on the right with Pastor Zuzana Durcová, Lutheran Church, Košariská, Slovakia).

"Everything we heard tonight was beautiful. You will continue to be used in Europe, and God will bless you in your ministry at home. Tomorrow Slovakia will play the U.S. hockey team. Now we don't know who to cheer for!" (Pastor Martin Sefranko, Evangelical Church, Bratislava, Slovakia).





“These are small and poor countries we have visited [Hungary, Slovakia, Czech Republic]. When someone visits us from better countries it’s a big deal—either in a bad or good way. You were the good way because you were kind and served others. I am impressed with the connection you feel with God. I didn’t grow up with that, but what I see is touching to me. Keep being like that. When I have goose bumps it means really good music. It doesn’t happen very often, but it always did in your concerts” (Akos Fodor, tour manager from Budapest; pictured at the left).

Valerie Narravo, teacher at the International School of Prague, Czech Republic, has degenerative hearing loss and hasn’t been able to hear music for years. With tears streaming down her face she said, “I don’t understand it, but something has happened. Today I heard music for the first time in eight years!”

“I don’t want you to go; I will hold you in my heart. May God give strength to your voices, and may you take something from here to be a connection from Germany to the U.S.” (Pastor Matthias Hammer, Evangelical Church, Hürben, Germany).



“We got a present today; and what a present! 30 people from the U.S. brought us great pleasure, pleasure that the mighty God gave us through music as a present.

“Sometimes when the expectation is so high beforehand the pleasure goes down; for us here, it only went up—very big. We have experienced great pleasure. When people clap their hands they show the joy that has come to them. I see it in your eyes as you prepare. I see a group that is one, where everyone feels they are not alone. I see a pianist like a mother to her

children. I see a director who says, “Go to bed” and it is quiet in the house” (Pastor Hans-Gerhard Hammer, Peter and Paul Church, Brettheim, Germany, pictured above with his with Elizabeth).



“The singing was like heaven, but we were still on earth. I can imagine this is what heaven will be like” (Pastor Hermann Beck, Stephanuskirche, Lendsiedel, Germany, pictured at the left).

“I can’t believe what I would have missed if I hadn’t come. You surpassed any university choir in Germany” (Gerhard Schnitter, music producer and composer from Gomaringen, Germany).

“I think we have already heard the sermon. It’s not so easy to preach now; you just did it for me. Thank you. It’s like we have all died and gone to heaven. But you brought it here to earth” (Pastor Katja Reichling, Christuskirche, Minden-Todtenhausen, Germany).

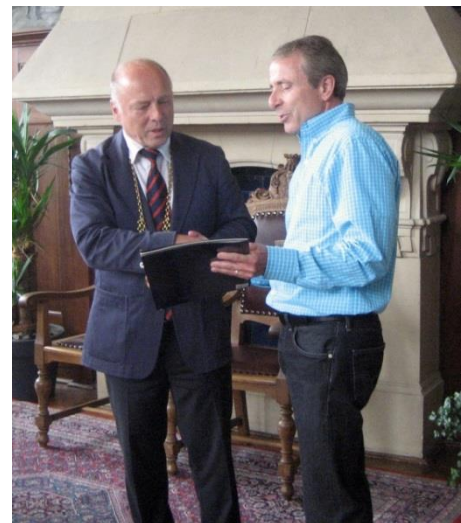


“You sang, ‘let me be a fragrance,’ and as you sang, the music was a fragrance, and I thank you. My parents, who came from out of town for the concert, couldn’t fall asleep last night remembering the concert. The concert was so moving with many special moments to the glory of God. Take blessings and greetings with you” (Pastor Ingolf Stromberger, Evangelical Church, Großseicholzheim, Germany, pictured on the right).



“Thank you for your beautiful performance at my mother's memorial service” (Prince Alexander zu Schaumburg-Lippe, Bückeberg, Germany, pictured below with Princess Nadja and the Chorale).

“One cannot hear music of this high quality every day” (Mayor Reiner Brombach, at the Town Hall reception for the Chorale, Bückeberg, Germany, pictured below).



Who can proclaim the mighty acts of the LORD or fully declare his praise? (Psalm 106:2).

The LORD has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy (Psalm 126:3).