ANNOUNCING...

A Mueggenborg *Family Trip* to Germany and Rome

Come visit the house and town where Wilhelm Josef Müggenborg raised his family (Henry, Anton, Gerhard, Ben, John) in the 1800's.

Meet the Müggenborg families who still live there.

All are welcome! You're invited to spend time visiting a fascinating place and meeting great people – your German relatives.

Twenty-five Mueggenborg relatives made this journey in 2007 and it was an unforgettable experience! This is your opportunity to participate in a group travel experience. You can go early, stay later or do your own thing. Please bring updated family information (weddings, births, deaths, etc.)!

Here's all you have to do...this is the **PROPOSED** itinerary for the family trip:

- 1. Let us know you are interested in joining us!
- Make your travel plans to fly to Germany by <u>April 18th</u> Muenster, Cologne and Dusseldorf are fairly close to Weseke, so any of them would be a good arrival airport. Each person is responsible for their own airfare and tickets. You can get a rental car in Germany and drive to Weseke (GPS is recommended) or if multiple people will be flying to the same city, you can coordinate arrivals and transportation.
- 3. Accommodations in Weseke will be at a local Bed & Breakfast.
- 4. We will make group travel plans to fly from Dusseldorf to Rome on Easter Sunday, <u>April 24th</u>. Those arriving at this time will be brought to their hotel by private bus. Hotel information will be provided at a later date.
- 5. Make your return flight reservations from Rome to the United States for <u>April 29, 2011</u> (unless you want to stay longer!).

Average cost per person (all inclusive) is anticipated to be approximately \$3,500-\$4,000.

Here's what you'll see and experience (PROPOSED):

- Borken and Weseke the Müggenborg family home in which Josef's children were born in the 1800s.
- <u>Müggenborg Family members</u> You'll be hosted each evening by a different family for dinner. There are five families in the Weseke area (all descendents of Josef A. Müggenborg, who was a brother of the five Mueggenborg's that immigrated to America).
- Visit the surrounding cities of <u>Munster, Aachen, and Cologne (Koln)</u>. These are historic and ancient cities of northern Germany (some of which have more than 2,000 years of history).
- <u>Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday</u> in the very parish where the family members were baptized and grew up. The Müggenborg family has been parishioners there since 1841.
- In Rome, you'll see the <u>Major Basilica's</u> (St. Peter's, St. Paul's, St. Mary Major, and St. John Lateran) and the Catacombs.
- Optional trip to <u>Assisi</u> will also be available.
- Optional audience with the <u>Pope</u>.

Please direct any questions regarding this trip to either Julie Johnson (<u>jjohnson@atlinkwifi.com</u>) or Msgr. Daniel Mueggenborg (<u>frdanielm@juno.com</u>).