



REMEMBERING Ernest Krebs

January 18, 1932 - May 21, 2025



Our beloved father Ernest Krebs was called home on May 21, 2025. Therewith, a life in the Lord's service, filled with much labour and struggle but also with much joy, came to an end. He was born on 18 January 1932 in Kurrasch, Wolhynia (at that time part of Poland). Thus he reached the age of 93 years.

Because of the Second World War and the unstable situation in Poland, his childhood years included much danger and deprivation. As opportunities arose, his family gradually moved westward, and in 1951 emigrated to Alberta. In 1953, Ernest married Magda Mantei. The couple moved to Chilliwack, BC in 1954, where their two children, Harald and Margitta, were born.

Ernest had been trained in Germany as a woodworker. In Chilliwack, he became a contractor and built many houses there. In 1964, a small congregation of the German Church of God had begun to gather in Vancouver. It was decided that a church should be built, and Ernest commuted to Vancouver to lead the project. (This was one of numerous churches in Canada, the US and Mexico that he helped build over the years.) The completed building was consecrated in January 1965, and Ernest accepted the call to serve the congregation as its minister. He served this congregation until 2010, interrupted by periods of service in Mexico, in Germany, and in Chilliwack. Our mother staunchly supported him throughout his years of ministry. She passed away in 2013.

In 2017, Ernest began to show signs of dementia. His condition slowly deteriorated, but he remained our loving father, and we did our best to show him our love in every way we were able. His final home on earth was the Finnish Home, where he received loving care to the end, for which we are very grateful.

We are comforted by the knowledge that our father is with the Lord and that we

shall see him again in his and our heavenly home.

Harald (and wife Sharon) and Gitta

