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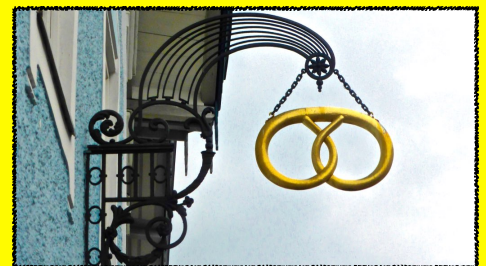
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Road to Poland

The church bells pealed in another rainy day. We packed the van and after a tricky exit from our squeeze parking space we bade farewell to our friends and hit the road. The conditions deteriorated as we drove on. We planned to be somewhere near Dresden by the end of the day.

The freeways here have 130kms speed limits. I saw lots of cars easily exceeding that. You have to be careful when overtaking slow moving trucks because a tiny black blob in the distance quickly becomes an angry vehicle in your rear view mirror with flashing headlights demanding you to get out of the way. We saw some beautiful country today. The clean green manicured countryside we traveled through shows a pride which one does not always see in other countries. The long lines of trucks going in both directions was impressive. Shops here are open all hours - no siestas in Germany! What we found particularly beautiful were the bright yellow rape crops contrasting with green fields and blue skies. Solar and wind farms were everywhere, The steel struts of a couple of turbines looked odd. After 5.5 hours of concentrated driving we are close to the Polish boarder. Another 4 hours tomorrow should almost get us to Makow and family. The last couple of days has been very relaxing and 3 days of eating, drinking and chatting are still to come.



BUSINESS SIGNS The use of iconic shop signs in German villages harks back to earlier times when the population could not read. A butcher, a baker or a candlestick maker? Heather keeps snapping them.