



swedenbound

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Prayer Requests:

- The ministries of Bibel Baptistförsamlingen
- Visitors at church—several unsaved
- Contacts in my neighborhood—Pray for a woman and her daughter I met the other day. They just recently moved in—here—I enjoyed visiting/having fika with them (while our dogs played together!). Please pray for them!
- Lots of our folks here are traveling for vacation—pray for safety!

Dear Praying Friends,

I can hardly believe that it's been nearly 6 months since I moved to Sweden! I thank God every day for allowing me to serve Him here! What a privilege—what a joy! I love being a part of this ministry!

One of the biggest pieces of news from this past month is the arrival of my new little buddy, Riley! Riley is my new Cocker/Cavalier Spaniel puppy! He's a little more than 3 months old and a real sweetie! He's also really good at meeting people! Everyone loves him and wants to stop and greet him! Since I got Riley I've been able to meet a whole lot of my neighbors—and a few of their dogs! It's really opened up doors for me here! Please pray for these contacts—that I would have good opportunities for witness! I've been able to invite several neighbors to church—please pray for the Lord to work in hearts and lives! Pray for these growing relationships—that

God would continue to open doors!

I've also gotten to know a lot of the kids around here (Riley loves to play with them!). I'm working on trying to organize some sort of a Bible club for a week or so at the end of July! Please pray for this opportunity! The kids are really sweet—and fun to talk to! Pray for there to be interest in hearing about God—and for me to be able to communicate clearly with my Swedish!

We've also had several visitors at church through this past month! Norm Ericson and his family were at church for a couple of weeks. They work with Amazing Grace Ministries in the States and have a real burden for the Swedish people—specifically their own Swedish relatives! It was wonderful to fellowship with them!

We also had a

few girls visit from Joplin, MO—they were visiting Sweden for a short time, studying a photography course in the area, and were able to visit church! I enjoyed meeting them and visiting with them—and a couple of them were even able to come over to my place for an evening! It was a real blessing to get to know them!

I began my new school early this month, and I really enjoy it! I'm off now for the month of July, but things start up again at the beginning of August! I'm also scheduled to start the 3rd level school on the 15th of August! Things don't ever slow down around here! :) I think it's great, though!

Thanks for praying for me! Thanks for your faithful encouragement in my life!

May God be glorified!

For Christ Alone,
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Jer. 32:27

