Prayer Needs:

- Bibel Baptistförsamlingen: ministries of the church
- The Neelys are traveling to the States on Friday. They'll be gone for a few weeks.
- Pray for my neighbors—and for further opportunities to share Christ with them!
- Ladies' Bible Study—beginning, Lord willing, later in August.
- Music ministry working on updating/organizing one of the church music books
- Language School starts up again next week
- There's a family from FL moving to Jönköping on the 15th. Please pray for safety—and for their adjustment in Sweden! They'll be living/working here for 6 months.
- My sister is planning on visiting me in the beginning of September!





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Summer in Sweden

Dear Praying Friends,

July is vacation month in Sweden—everything pretty much slows down (or shuts down) as the masses head out to their vacation spots!

And though we may have had fewer regulars at church throughout the month of July, we did have quite a number of visitors. It's always great to be able to meet new people—some passing through, and others from the area.

I've enjoyed a nice break from school this past month—though I've definitely continued working with my Swedish! I find myself speaking Swedish quite a lot actually—especially with my neighbors while I'm out with Riley!

School, however, starts up again this next week! I'll be working on finishing up one course—and beginning a new course level Aug. 15th.

I'm also in the process of doing some basic translation work for a ladies' Bible study that I'll be leading, Lord willing, beginning the end of August. It's a little intimidating, as I'll be doing it in Swedish, so I would really appreciate the prayers! By God's grace I'll be ready for the challenge!

And lastly, please keep Scandinavia in your prayers! The brutal terror attacks in Oslo, Norway have really shaken up a lot of people. Please pray for those who have lost loved ones—and pray that the Gospel will be spread in the midst of this tragedy.

Thanks yet again for your faithfulness in prayer—such a vital role in the ministry here!

You are a blessing to me, and I thank you!

Thanks for your support and encouragement!

May God bless you in your service to Him!

For Christ Alone, Melissa Carlson Jer. 32:27



Riley's Corner

Hej! I'm Riley—and I'm a missionary too! I've gotten to know a lot of people in my neighborhood! All the kids love to play with me—and I love to play with them too! Sometimes they even come over to my house to play! Melissa has been able to tell them a little about God. She tries to use opportunities to talk about how God created everything, and the

other day she got to use the wordless book to tell a couple of girls the gospel story!

Just last week we found out something pretty cool! See, I have a dog friend named Dexter. I've been over to his house to play (and he's been over to my house too!)

—Melissa has gotten to visit and even have fika with Dexter's family—a mom and

her daughter. Well, we just found out that the teen who was saved during church camp this summer is a part of this family! Small world! Please pray for them—and for all the people we meet and talk to every day!

Your Pal, Riley

