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Prayer Requests:

- Church Ministry
- June 4-8th, Bible Club
- Sep. 20-23, Ladies Conference
- Outreach—contacts in the area
- The last little bit of school
- Music Ministry Opportunities

Dear Praying Friends,

April was an exciting month here in Jönköping! It may have rained (and sometimes snowed) a lot, but it hasn't dampened the joy of serving the Lord in this place!

School

I'm excited to report that I have finished taking the final tests for SAS-B, my last Swedish language class! And as of today, our big research paper is officially turned in! Our group just has to present it in class on Thursday! That just leaves a little bit of reading left—and then I'll be done with language school! Praise the Lord!

Kids Ministry

The party on the 14th went really well! Thank you to so many who were praying! We ended up with 16 kids coming over—definitely a full house! We had a great time—enjoyed eating tacos and ice cream sundaes, playing some games (including an indoor/outdoor treasure hunt), and watching the film about Jesus. Praise the Lord for the opportunity to share the Gospel with these kids! Please continue to pray that the Lord will work in their hearts!

The party was also a good chance to announce more about the up-

coming Bible Club we're planning for the evenings of June 4-8th. I've had good response from both the kids as well as a few of the parents, so I'm praying that kids will come! Please pray with me about this!

Our theme for the Bible Club is the Life of Christ. I have a friend from Gothenburg who will be coming down to help me out for the week. He works with Children Evangelism Fellowship and has access to great materials that we're able to use for the club!

Ladies' Ministry

In our Ladies' Bible Study, we've been going through a series on trusting God. It has definitely been an encouragement and challenge in my own life! We've had some visitors as well—praising the Lord for that!

I'm continuing to work on details for our upcoming Fall Ladies' Conference—"Unashamed: living a life of no reserves, no retreats, no regrets." Please continue to pray for this ministry opportunity!

General Ministry

I've been privileged to get to know a lot of my neighbors over this past year! This past month I was able to sit down for fika with one neighbor and just visit for a while. We were able to talk a little bit about Easter—

please pray for more witnessing opportunities!

I was also able to have a couple over for dinner that I had met because I visit their smoothie shop in the mall every week while heading to school! They just moved to my area, and I was so glad they were able to come over! Please keep this couple in your prayers as well!

Music Ministry

I've been working on several projects involving music, but I wanted to include with this letter a hymn I wrote a while back about the local church. It's called "In This Place." I hope it will be a blessing! Feel free to use it if you would like to! I really want to share the music that the Lord has laid on my heart!

Thank you so much with all of my heart for your prayers, support, and faithful encouragement to me! God bless you all!

For Christ Alone,
Melissa Carlson

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Riley's Corner

Hej Friends!

What a month! I've been working hard on my new blog—have you seen it? It's rileyand-friendsinsweden.blogspot.com! I hope you'll check it out! I put pictures on there—and other stuff as well! Right now there's a quiz you can try! If you email my mommy with your guesses,

you just might win some candy! Just send in your answers sometime during this next week!

I had fun when the kids came over here for the party this past month! There were lots of them—but it was great! I even managed to snatch a taco that one of the kids accidentally dropped on the floor! Yummy! I

also sat with them when they watched the movie about Jesus' life. They listened really well! I pray that they understand the Gospel message! Please pray for my friends here in Sweden!

Have a great day!

Your Friend,
Riley



In this Place

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We will wor-ship God to-gether as we stu-dy in His Word. We will
All a-round us there are peop-les who have tossed the truth a-side. They've re-
Just as bod-ies joined to-gether ev-'ry part a cer-tain role we must
Th-e Lord is soon re-turn-ing though we do not know the hour when with

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sing the prais-es of our Lord so dear. _____ We will
ject-ed all our God has taught is right. _____ They have
use each gift and tal-ent for our Lord. _____ Serv-ing
trum-pet sound Christ comes to claim His own. _____ So let's

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come to God to-gether with our hearts as one in prayer. What a
mocked and they have scoffed His Word while liv-ing on in sin. In this
God we stand un-it-ed and all glor-y be to Him. Then as
la-bor with a dil-i-gence that e-choes of God's pow'r. Let us

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won-drous thing to meet our Sav-ior here.
troub-led world this church must be a light. Reaching lost souls all a-round us, building
one we'll make a diff-'rence in this world.
work un-til Christ Je-sus calls us home.

In this Place

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up each other in faith, teaching folk the Gosp-el mess-age as we grow in Christ each day. We will

Detailed description: This system contains measures 10, 11, and 12. The music is in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody in the treble clef consists of eighth and quarter notes, often beamed in pairs. The bass line provides a steady accompaniment with eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are positioned between the two staves.

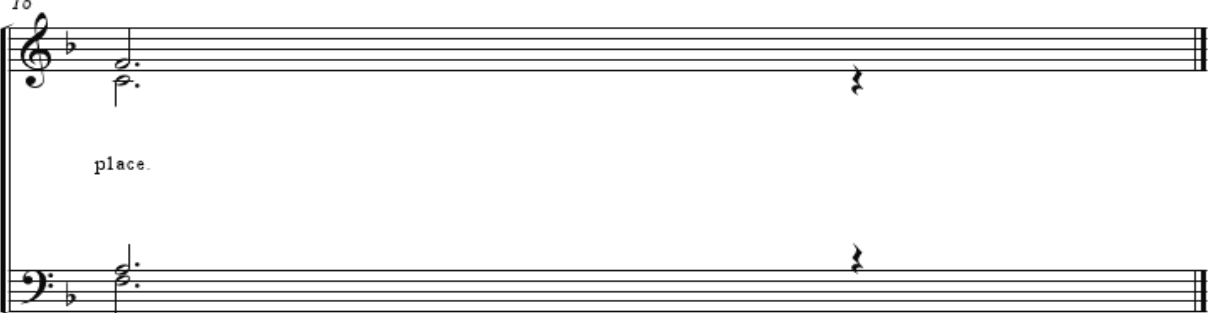
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serve our Lord to-gether as we seek to live His Word. Praise the Lord we can worship in this

Detailed description: This system contains measures 13, 14, and 15. The musical notation continues with the same style as the previous system. The lyrics are positioned between the two staves.

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place.

Detailed description: This system contains measures 16 and 17. The music is mostly static, with a single chord in the treble clef (F major) and a single chord in the bass clef (B-flat major) held for the duration of the two measures. The lyrics 'place.' are positioned between the staves.