



swedenbound

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Visa Renewal Process
- Church ministry here—the Neelys
- Possibility of holding another kids' club afternoon at some point in the next month or so
- Bible studies starting back up again!

Dear Praying Friends,

Thank you so much your faithfulness in prayers for my trip to the States this past month! It was such a blessing to be able to see family and friends! My sister's wedding was simply beautiful!

And I am also thankful for the many opportunities for ministry during this time back in WI! I was able to visit 4 different supporting churches and share with them a little more about the ministries going on here in Jönköping! I also had opportunities to meet with several folks from my home church—and even had the chance to speak to a small group at the local Christian high school! I also enjoyed a couple of different oppor-

tunities to discuss music/music ministry with my pastor's wife! What a help and encouragement that was to me!

I'm also thankful for smooth and uneventful flights both to and from the States! And Riley did great! He's a wonderful little traveler!

Now that I'm back in Sweden, I'm excited to be able to jump back into the ministry here!

Please pray especially for my upcoming visa renewal process! Lord willing, I'll be able to get all the paperwork in within the next couple of weeks! Please pray that the process would go smoothly and that I might be able to stay and serve

the Lord here in Sweden! This is my first time to renew my visa, and I'm a little nervous! Thank you so much for your prayers!

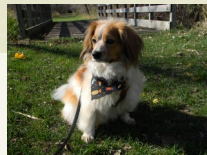
And please pray for us as well as we jump back into the Bible studies and kids' clubs and other areas of ministry here! I'm so excited for these opportunities to serve!

Thank you for being a very real and critical part of the ministry here!

God bless you as you continue to serve Him!

For Christ Alone,
Melissa Carlson

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RILEY'S CORNER

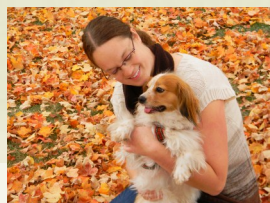
Hej Friends!

I just want to say that I had a great time in the USA this past month! I was a little scared when my mommy left me with the strangers at the airport, but the trips weren't so bad! And I was extra happy to see my mommy when we reached the other side!

I loved getting to meet mommy's

family and friends! I even learned some new English words! I just wish the cats at my mommy's parents' house could have understood me better! I really did just want to be friends! Well, at least one of them came over to say hello now and then! That was nice of her!

Now I'm back in Sweden—and pretty tired! I guess dogs get jet lag too! Though, I think after last



night my mommy would be happier if I wouldn't wake her up in the middle of the night anymore just to play a game of fetch! Can I help it if it felt like morning?

Well, I'll talk to you later!!!!

Your friend,

Riley

