



SWEDENBOUND



MARCH/APRIL 2015

Prayer Requests:

- *Church Family Camp—1-3 may*
- *Visa situation—for myself and for the other missionary families waiting for a response from the migration board.*
- *Don and Beverly Sixt—on deputation, raising support to be able to join us in the ministry here*
- *Carl Anderson and family—A man originally from Sweden, has been a missionary in Japan for a number of years, and is planning on moving to Jönköping in June to help in the ministry here; please pray for housing for them as it's very, very difficult to get an apartment here these days.*
- *Please keep praying for K. She continues to come very faithfully to our ladies' Bible studies!*
- *Please also remember A, A and I—salvation*
- *Children's ministries/clubs*
- *Outreach—the nicer weather is bringing more folks out to the market on Saturdays! It's a great place to hand out tracts and talk to people about Christ! We've been able to have some good conversations with folks in recent weeks.*
- *Praise—some of the other challenges mentioned in the previous letter were resolved! Thanks for praying!*

Dear Praying Friends,

Thank you so much for your continued prayers, words of encouragement and support! You are a tremendous blessing in my life! And I just wanted to start by saying, "Thank you!"

Visa

Unfortunately, there is still no word on my visa, though that's not totally surprising. From what I was told last fall while looking into the details for the visa renewal process, if I didn't hear anything within the first month or two, it probably means that the paperwork (though submitted online) got kicked into a

paper pile, and the wait time from there is usually around 10-12 months. So I guess I'll just have to wait and see what happens! And at this point, that's about all I can do! So please pray that all will work out in God's perfect will and timing. I have peace knowing that whatever happens, God is always in complete control! I'm so glad that I can rest in Him—trusting Him to meet each need in the way that He deems best.

At this time, there are a couple of other missionary families in Scandinavia that are also waiting and praying that their visas will be re-

newed. Please keep them in your prayers as well!

And please pray for a couple of other families who are currently planning and preparing to serve the Lord in Sweden. They understandably want to know what the process and timing is for getting into the country. At this point, with the way things keep changing and with the way things are just so up in the air, it's really hard to know what to tell them. Please pray for wisdom and direction. I'm praying that somehow through the process I'm in now, it may at least provide some answers for others both at

this time and in the future!

Please pray that God will keep the doors open for missionaries here in Scandinavia. The need is so great!

Church Camp

Our church family is heading to a campground next Friday-Sunday for our annual family camp! Please pray for us, that we would be challenged in God's Word and encouraged by the fellowship!

Thanks again for praying! God bless!

For Christ Alone,

Melissa Carlson
Jer. 32:27

RILEY'S CORNER

Hej Friends!

I'd like to introduce you to my new friend, Woofi!



He came from some special church friends in PA! We are going to use him and his friends to share the Gospel with more kids in our area! See? He even has the wordless book colors on his collar! Please pray for us as we look for good opportunities to use our new friend in the kids' ministry here!

Have a great week!

Your pal,

Riley



Some of Riley's friends in the neighborhood!

