

# Summer 2017 swedenbound



Dear Praying Friends,

Thank you so much for your prayers for me as I was in the States! I had a wonderful time with family and friends! But it is good to be back in Sweden, and I'm excited to be able to get back into the ministries here.

I'm so grateful for the opportunities to witness to various neighbors as I'm out with Riley. Please pray for a Finnish man, T. I have been able to witness to him at various times in the past, but the other day we were able to talk for about an hour about hope and the Gospel. He believes in God, but he clings to his infant baptism through the Lutheran church as his means of salvation. Please pray that God would do a real work in his heart and that he might come to saving faith!

Please continue to keep the kids club in your prayers. Summer can be a tricky time as so many people are gone on vacation, but I'm thankful for all the opportunities to share Christ with the kids I have contact with here in my neighborhood! Just the other day a few kids came over to my place, and one little girl wanted to sing what she calls the "Jesus song." She loves "Jesus Love is Very Wonderful"! I've also had some contact with a few of the older girls and I'm planning an activity for them here at the end of the month! So far, at least 3 girls are planning to attend!

I've also been able to continue with the nursing home visits. Please pray for G. It was good to see her again after our trip to the States! I'm also looking into visiting other nursing homes in the area. Pray for G, whose husband is in a nursing home in the nearby town of Taberg. I know it has been tough for her. Pray for her salvation—she has been pretty closed to the Gospel, but I know that God can do a work in her heart!

Thank you so much for your faithful prayers and support! I trust you'll have a great summer! God bless you in all your various ministries and service to Him!

For Christ Alone,

Melissa Carlson  
Jer. 32:27



Blueberry picking with L.



K.E. is turning 95 next week!



Riley and Friends!

## Prayer Requests

- Church Ministries
- Pray for the Sixts—that they would quickly receive the rest of their support so they can join us here in Sweden! I look forward to working with them!
- Please pray especially for the Sixts as they'll be starting the visa process soon!! Lord willing, they will be here with us some time early next year!
- Pray for the unsaved. Especially for T (Finnish man), L, H, G and G
- Pray for the kids' club as well as the other neighborhood ministry outreaches!
- I'm going to be working on getting a Swedish driver's license and a car in the near-ish future!

## Riley's Corner

Dear Friends!

Hope you guys are having a fun summer! I had fun in the USA! I liked visiting grandma/grandpa and their cats! :)

I've been trying to be helpful with the ministry here in Sweden!

I try to make sure my human gets chances to talk to people when she walks me! It's a good thing I like to just sit and enjoy the great outdoors while she chats! :)

I really like going to nursing homes! I just generally enjoy making visits with my human!

Please keep praying for us!

Thanks!

Your Pal,  
Riley

