

Scandinavian Ministry Update

The Milanowski's

"As grieving yet always rejoicing; as poor yet enriching many; as having nothing yet possessing everything." 2 Corinthians 6:10

Our God is a Good, Good Father!

After 2 months of earnest prayers and searching, the Swedish police has found Michael yet deceased. We were all shocked and saddened by this heartbreaking news. Young people flew from different places to attend a short and emotional funeral for Michael. We sang "Good, Good Father" which was Michael's favorite worship song. He understood God's love for him, and we all look forward to seeing him again in Heaven. After the funeral, we stayed in Stockholm for 2 more days in order to walk this difficult journey with those who had fellowship with Michael regularly. With much prayer and counselling, we helped a young man who was too sad to get out of bed to go to school; and picked up another youth who was too emotional to stay in school. Please pray for all the young people in the NCCC circle, for we are all grieving though we know that Michael is with our Good, Good Father.



God's Love is So Amazing!



~ It was wonderful that God provided a STM team from Toronto Jaffray Alliance Church to support, care, assist, and encourage us for the past 2 weeks. We ran VBS in both Bergen and Oslo, with many other workshops and training. On top of that, there was Christian Parenting, Bible studies, preaching, worship leader's training, and evangelism survey/workshop, to name a few. It was great that the STM team got a taste and shared the load of our normal but heavy visitation schedules. In 2 short weeks, we had visited 17 families, both in Bergen and Oslo. (It especially brought a fuzzy feeling inside us to serve with 2 young sisters Ivy baptized.) We led them to some prayer walk spots for them to sense and reflect God's voice for Norway. Our partnership strengthens our work together through God's amazing love.

~ The STM team joined us to visit the sister in the picture on the right, and we laid hands and prayed for her before departing. It was an emotional and glorifying night when we each shared how we came to Christ. Auntie Yo-yo became very sick a year ago, and she was very depressed that she became homebound. Glen and Ivy will bring communion to her once a month; and spend a lot of time praying together with her. Seeing her becoming stronger and remain joyful, we can only give honour and glory to our Amazing God!





~ This popo (Chinese for grandma) in the picture on the left came to greet us from our first arrival to Norway. She has gone through 5 major operations as she jokes that doctors should install a zipper for easier access to her internal organs. She has developed a deep relationship with us that she will contact us every time she is not well. Though we cannot go to her bedside every time due to our ministerial schedule, we promise to pray for her whenever she needs support. She has become physically and spiritually stronger and is able to attend church prayer meetings regularly now. Popo testifies that God is a Great God who listens to our prayers, and she quotes “The Lord is far from the wicked, but he hears the prayers of the righteous” from Proverbs 15:29 every chance she gets to share her testimony.

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This family we visited in Bergen felt lonely and a lack of spiritual support in the past. We started visiting them on a regular basis 2 year ago, praise the Lord, we now see a family who is open to God’s love. The wife/mother is very fervent in serving on the worship team, sister’s prayer group, and Bible study. She has opened up to Ivy of her past wounds so they can pray together for God’s healing. Please pray for the husband and daughter to be transformed like the mother.



Prayer Requests:

- ö We are on our way to co-host the Leadership Retreat where we will be discussing topics such as “Communication”, “Carrying out the Vision”, and “What is Next?” with leaders from both the Chinese and NextGen. congregations. Please pray for a fruitful and harmonized retreat.
- ö For the next 2 months, we will have a seminary student from Hong Kong living with us for his internship at our church in Oslo. Please pray for him to experience everything God intends for him in Norway.
- ö Glen and Ivy are having a very packed ministerial schedule for the month of June in various places. Please pray for our spiritual, physical, and emotional health. The picture of Glen on the right reflects our current situation: always on the go but have lots to learn culturally and must study and prepare a lot of lessons for our sheep.
- ö Please pray for the baptisms in Bergen on June 23 when Ivy will baptize 2 sisters she has been mentoring for the past year. This will be the first Bergen Fellowship baptism since becoming a member with NCCC.



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We are going home for our 1st Home Assignment from July 10 – October 17. If you would like us to come and share with you what God has been doing on our journey with a “taste of Norway”, please write to us so we can prepare accordingly!