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**CHURCH PLANTING IN
ATHENS, GREECE**



Prayer Requests

- ☑ Revival in Greece!
- ☑ Please pray for more contacts and more people to attend studies & services.
- ☑ Thank you to the many churches who blessed us with Christmas gifts. We're blessed & very grateful.
- ☑ Praise!!! God provided through our partnering churches to meet our financial needs for the building & associated costs.
- ☑ Pray for our services: Wednesday Bible Study & Sunday Evening Service. Attenders, wisdom w/ messages & study focuses, & translating of messages.
- ☑ Pray for: New logo design, tracts, & info cards to be completed soon; Continued impact in our community; . Contacts to come to church: Martha, Vassiliki, Eleni, Stella & boys, Maly & Hans.
- ☑ Our kids: Claire begins student teaching; Georgi to be accepted to nursing school; Micah- wisdom w/ future decisions; John- spiritual growth & walk.

2020... Is it possible? Where has the time gone? 2019 began with uncertainty in many ways for us, but God worked incredibly despite our early doubts. After starting the Center with a mid-week study, we quickly realized a Sunday night study would give people more opportunity to come regularly. Though we've had a couple nights with just our family, we've had at least one visitor for most Bible studies. We're praying God will lead several people to commit to regularly attending Sunday morning services so we can begin them ASAP.

Joanna and I continue to canvass our local neighborhoods with tracts & info cards as we did in November & early December. Bro. Spyro from Zakynthos is in Athens for several weeks & has been joining me to distribute the last 1k pieces of our previous literature in anticipation of literature with a new logo design, more info about the center, and Hope Baptist Church. We are focused on putting tracts & the newly designed info cards directly into hands of people at the local metro stations & town centers where there is no shortage of people. We have been surprised by the warm reception we've found in Marousi. I had often avoided the area around the big Orthodox church to hand out tracts but God has given boldness & opportunity to witness to several people right in front recently! Please pray for the design work & printing to be completed soon, God to use what we're distributing now to open hearts, and patience as we become an accepted part of the community. People are noticing!!!

We were blessed by a family from our sending church with tickets to spend Christmas in PA with all of our children. We cannot praise God enough for the blessing these folks are to us. They've helped us in amazing ways since we began in ministry. We made many new memories together including a trip to NYC, the Central Park Zoo, a show, and a hockey game (among other things!). Joanna & I had opportunity to take part in music at our home church too. We met 3 Greeks within the first couple days back with whom I was able to speak to in Greek and invite them to church! To that end, our language skills have progressed well but in order to better utilize time, I have decided not to return to the language school I've been attending. During John's school conferences, we discussed lessons with his Greek teacher, and she offered private lessons which Joanna & I will do together. Thanks for your faithful prayers & support!