



CHURCH PLANTING IN ATHENS, GREECE



Prayer Requests

- ☑ Revival in Greece!
- ☑ Please pray for more contacts and more people to attend studies & services.
- ☑ Pray for the immigrant crisis & the escalating problems with Turkey.
- ☑ Praise!!! We're in the final process of establishing an account for the Center. Pray everything goes through.
- ☑ 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; Teaching English opportunities & outreaches. Contacts to come to church: Martha, Vassiliki, Eleni, Hans, Clinton & family, Tomas, Yiorgo, & Sylvia.
- ☑ Furlough ministry: meetings, housing & transportation needs, safety of our home & the center while we're in the US.

January was a rough month for us. After returning from the US, Joanna, John, and I experienced illnesses of one sort or another for most of the month. John missed a week of school and we cancelled Bible studies several times, mostly to not expose others to the flu and respiratory infections we had. Fortunately, we got through it and we're back in full swing. We continue to have regular attenders and have had several new visitors. Tomas, a Greek man, came several times and seemed to be understanding biblical truth but has fallen off. Like many Greeks (and the Gnostics of Paul's day), he is attempting to understand the Bible through worldly philosophy. He was full of questions I answered biblically, however he constantly brought Platonic ideas & heretical doctrines into the discussion. Please keep his salvation in your prayers. Leny, a sweet lady who attends our services, brought her best friend, Marlene, who is now coming every Sunday. She has a JW background but Leny led her to Christ several years ago, and she is attending & growing through our studies. Recently, a Swiss Christian woman I met in Greek school came with a Christian friend from Ireland. They're involved in starting Evangelical home churches here but they both said they were challenged by the teaching and hope to come as often as possible. We continue to invite and are in the process of developing an online ad campaign to gain exposure in neighboring areas.

Because our son is now attending school here, lengthy furloughs wouldn't allow him to stay in the school he now loves. After prayer & counsel, we've decided to take short summer furloughs in 2020 (6/17-9/2) & 2021 to report to the churches we weren't able to be in during our last furlough. My prayer is to visit 30 partnering churches over the next 2 summers. We also need to help our other children during this time as 2 are transitioning life phases. Our plan is for me (Michael) to report to churches that are distant from our home base in PA & but we'll also make several closer meetings as a family. I will be contacting supporting churches to schedule meetings very soon.

Please keep our children in your prayers, especially our boys. They're very close and both have had difficulties being apart since Micah returned to the US to finish HS. Please pray for the immigrant crisis Greece is still experiencing & and for the Corona Virus panic sweeping Europe and the world. Thanks for holding the ropes!!!