



## CHURCH PLANTING IN ATHENS, GREECE



### Prayer Requests

- ☑ Revival in Greece!
- ☑ Traveling 6/17. God to provide update meetings; safety & ample family time.
- ☑ Praise! Our sending church has secured a house & car for us to use for furlough!
- ☑ **Please pray** for us as we seek to manage the cost of having our son John in private school. Missionary kids sacrifice everything they know to serve the Lord w/ their parents. John needs a social classroom environment to learn & while his Greek is adequate, his public school teachers here told us he was frustrated & would continue to struggle there. John **needs** to be in the school he's attending but it's creating a \$10k budget deficit, at a time we also need to replace our car. We never like to ask for funds but it would be a huge blessing to have help offsetting his tuition. If God leads you to help, please designate the funds as "John Tuition" to our BIMI account (#1474). **Thank you!**

May saw the easing of some restrictions for us in Greece. Things have incrementally been returning to near normal. We're allowed to move more freely, stores have opened, & restaurants opened at the end of the month. Our son John returned to school also but they've split the classes and adopted a 3 day schedule. We were glad to get back into our church facility but the initial restrictions of 1 person per 10sq/m allowed us only 4 people in our small area. It has now been doubled and we can have up to 8 at a time. We've recently had 2 join us for Bible studies. While under lockdown, we continued to livestream services & studies regularly on Facebook. We've had good reception with people from many locales watching. We're planning to continue streaming & using more video to promote the ministry. We'll be adding more Greek messages & possibly some teaching series, such as marriage & parenting aimed at young families, following our return to Athens in September. Please pray as we plan and prepare for expanding the ministry the way we hoped before Covid-19.

Two of our children "graduated"! Claire finished her teaching degree at New England Baptist College & Micah graduated high school at our home church. We had tickets to be with them for the ceremonies but with the travel restrictions & Claire's ceremony being postponed, we felt it best to not try to go. Micah's HS graduation was held outdoors for a limited number of guests which we watched online. We so wanted to be there but we're also grateful for technology to bridge the miles. Our 3 oldest are all living at Joanna's aunt's house in PA and working together at Chik-Fil-A! Georgi returns to PCC in the fall. We're looking forward to spending some family together while on furlough as we help with some adjusting & future plans for them.

We understand there are restrictions still in place & some churches may not be in a place to have us come report but we're hoping to schedule meetings in the mid-Atlantic & New England areas. If you're in these regions, and would like to have us for a single service, please email me ASAP. We'll be visiting some family also before we return to Athens on 9/2/20 so our dates are limited, but we'll do our best to visit as many churches as possible. We're hoping to come again next summer for another brief furlough & time to report. We praise God for faithful church families who continue to hold the ropes. We look forward to what God will do as we continue to work together.

