

Dear Faith Bible Fellowship Friends,

This letter is way over due, and for that we are very sorry. We want, and are happy to share with you the blessings and struggles we have been going through the last few months.

As you know, we had a beautiful baby boy born at the end of August. He has been such a huge blessing to our family and to our church. He is always smiling and brings so much joy to us!

As many of you know, our coworkers took on an abandoned baby as their foster baby for a year, we helped out a few months out of that year when they were out of Albania. The little boy was loved and cared for by them, our family, and our whole church as well! It was such a beautiful thing to be a part of his life in this little way. He was adopted and moved to America in the beginning of January. We praise God for his life, and the impact he had on our church and city. Foster care and adoption are both basically unheard of here in Albania, orphanages here are horrible places.

The Country wants to close down the orphanages and start foster care services, but the people haven't been open to it. We are praying that the little boy we cared for and his story will inspire other Albanian Christians to take steps towards fostering and adoption.

We are praising God for His provision! Our church building is paid off! We thank you all so much for your prayers and support you have given over the past few years towards the building. It has been such a blessing to our church. We pray it will be a place where everyone in our city will feel welcome and be able to hear about and trust in our Savior.

It has been a very stressful and overwhelming year especially for Erion as he had been in charge of the renovations for the building. We are excited to say that the last little bits of renovation are almost done! Praise God!! Please pray for Erion as it has really taken a toll on him, having the renovations in addition to his regular pastoral work. Pray that he will be able to get rest as soon as it is all done.

At the end of November, there was a huge earthquake that destroyed a lot of homes and buildings in an area of Albania that is about 2 hours from where we live.

Erion felt especially burdened for the people there, and had been heading up relief work in that area. Thanks to special funds being raised, we were able to purchase a food truck that is now being used to cook meals for the families that are in need in extremely poor mountain villages. They are living in tents and makeshift shelters, in the current cold winter weather.

Please pray for these people and the horrible situation they are living in.

Pray for the volunteers from the churches in Albania that are doing the cooking that they will have strength and emotional stamina to continue the work. But especially pray that we will be able to reach the people with the Gospel. Of course we want to help them with their physical needs, but ultimately we know that their spiritual needs are the greatest.

Pray that the believers will be able to have deep and meaningful conversations and that people will come to know our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We thank you for your faithful support through prayer and financial gifts for us and the ministries here.

In Him,  
Erion, Melodie, Samuel, Sarah and Seth.

Praise reports:

1. We praise God for the safe birth of our son Seth.
2. We praise God for the money that He provided to cover the cost of the church building, and finish off the payment.
3. We praise God for the adoption of little Emiljano and for the impact his life had on our family, church and community.

Prayer requests:

1. Pray for Erion as he is at the end of all the renovating of the church building. Pray that he is able to get the rest and rejuvenation he needs.
2. Pray for the families that were effected by the earthquake at the end of November, and the work that is going on for them, helping them with physical needs, but ultimately pray for opportunities for us to reach them spiritually with the Gospel.

Blessings

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