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Dear Family and Friends,

Is our Lord faithful, always? To this question we echo David's words, "Many are asking, 'Who can show us any good?' Let the light of your face shine upon us, O LORD. You have filled *our hearts* with greater joy than when their grain and new wine abound." (Ps. 4:6-7) Our lives may take turns that we do not expect, but our God is ever faithful and good.

By God's grace, we continue to grow both spiritually and in number through this ministry. It is with extreme joy that we bring news of our new brother, Soner! We have been working with him since almost the beginning of this ministry, so to see him finally entrust himself to Jesus is such a joy! The last time we shared God's word with him, he told us, I think you will be hearing some good news from me very soon. Indeed, he was true to his word! May God be praised for this new creation in Christ! Although he no longer resides in our city, we joyfully look forward to the time we will reside together for all eternity! Soner called and told us of this great news when it happened, and we were so delighted! Let us continue to pray for his wife and son whom Soner thinks will not be long after him. May the Lord reveal Himself to her and the child through the testimony of Soner and His word.

On another note, one of the men from our fellowship happened upon the movie "Fireproof" in Turkish. He was traveling by bus to Konya (modern day Iconium) when to his surprise the on-board entertainment was the movie, "Fireproof." When he got home he found it on the Internet, purchased it, and shared with us what a great movie this was and how it was such a miracle that they were playing a movie that shared the Gospel on a Turkish bus! Together, we decided to have a "fun night" where we could invite seekers to have dinner and watch the movie with all of us. It was a fabulous night! We made stuffed potatoes for dinner, watched the movie together and then discussed some of the biblical concepts that were mentioned in the film. Many of the believers with unbelieving spouses are planning on watching it again with the spouse. It touched all of us when we recalled what true love, God's love, is. We are truly blessed beyond measure!

We are now beginning to plan for 2013. At this point, we will only be in Turkey for another 7-8 months before returning to the US for furlough. It is a bitter-sweet time for us. As we look forward to our time with you all in the States, we also know we are leaving our other beloved brothers and sisters in this young fellowship behind for over a year. Thus, we are now turning our sights upon how we can strengthen them for the time we are away. One of the main problems that we face is that we are currently only working with one other couple and the amount of ministry work that is involved in what we do is too much for them to do alone. We are actively praying for and seeking others that will be able to join us/them to continue the work.

Some of things we will be doing over the next few months to help ease this transition will be:

1. MP3 ministry – We mentioned this ministry last time, and since then we have been able to obtain several MP3's at a very reasonable cost and have begun gathering and organizing various audio Bible lessons and hymns to be uploaded for our friends. As you know, this ministry tool will be used primarily for discipleship; disciples can listen to the scripture lesson on their own and then they will discuss the contents in a group or one on one context. This ministry will also be used with our "seeking group" to a lesser extent. In other words, it will be used with people who have shown that they really are seeking after truth but are not yet believers.
2. Cooperatively working with some of the mature believers to take more of a role in the organized outreach efforts and all Pre-EV and EV work that we do. One of the young men from our group has been a believer for about three years now, and is currently

enrolled in advanced Bible training. We are financially helping him to go through the course, in return for this he has committed to work with our fellowship in ministry while we are in the US.

3. Working on recruiting other qualified workers to join in the ministry with our current teammates.
4. And refining the ministry programs that we currently do in order to make it more manageable with fewer people.

So, it is with joy that we press on with you all, knowing that your prayers are with us and for us, and that our God is a faithful God who hears the prayers of His children. Thank you so much for your love for us and His church and for your generous giving to the Lord's work.

In His grace and for His glory,
Joe, Karyn, Jacob, Joshua and Angela Cavin

Prayers and Praises:

- ? Praise God spiritual growth for Yasemin during her stay with us and for her new apartment. Pray for safe travel and logistics as she moves back to Ank. And finding a new job.
- ? Praise God for Altin's safe return. May he continue to grow in his love and knowledge of the Lord.
- ? Praise God for our new brother in Christ, Soner! May his wife, Hayriye follow quickly.
- ? Praise God for an excellent time of watching "Fireproof" and discussion with Hope Fellowship. May all the attendees put into practice what we learned.
- ? Pray for complete healing of Angela and for her endurance of her dietary changes and medications.
- ? Pray for Mustafa to be refreshed and return to us quickly.
- ? Pray for Ata and Metin to find work. They have been out of jobs for many months now and starting to get debt. May the Lord provide for all their financial needs.
- ? Pray for our seeking friends: Selma, Zeren, Zuhre and Sevgi who are meeting with Karyn for weekly Bible study. May God draw them to Himself through His holy word.
- ? Pray for Karyn's foot to heal well and quickly. May she have patience during this time and may the Lord grant Joe and the kids extra energy and grace as they are picking up all her duties.
- ? Pray for Eren to thirst after God's word and see the importance of meeting together as believers. Pray for his marriage, that his wife's heart would soften to truth.
- ? Praise God for Kemal's finding new work that allows him to have weekends off to fellowship.
- ? Pray for Sinan to realize that his relationship with God is more important than any other "good thing" that can be done here on earth.
- ? Pray for Batu to see that a relationship with God is worth any consequence he may have to endure.
- ? Praise God that Sait has seen that his neglect of the Body has handicapped his growth in the Lord and is now faithfully coming to all meetings. May the Lord grant him his request to be a more loving husband who shows Christ's unconditional love to his wife.
- ? Pray for Metin to grow in forgiveness and that his wife would see Christ in his life and want to seek Him.
- ? Pray for Nice, who seems to be very close to accepting Christ. May the Spirit illuminate His word to him.
- ? Pray for the many friends that we are sharing with who have come via the Internet. May God use us to draw them to Himself.
- ? Pray for our protection as we boldly share.
- ? Pray for an understanding of oneness/unity in our church.
- ? Pray for us to have walks worthy of our calling.

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