

Dear Family and Friends,

Greetings to all of you in the name of Jesus, our Lord. We just returned from our annual conference and were blessed to be able to remember what the Lord has done and is doing in this country through both this ministry and others. What a joy it was to discuss and plan for this upcoming year with our teammate. Even in the midst of the political turmoil here, the continuing state of emergency, and the month of religious fasting, the Lord continues to draw the lost to Himself! PTL, we have seen 6 people come to faith in Christ since our arrival in September - Our God is at work here despite what lies circulate regarding this field! We are excited about how national believers are taking up the baton to reach out to their own communities and partner with us in this work. It is our prayer that we can continue to foster these relationships and work along side one another toward the same goal of seeing Him glorified and His fame spread throughout this thirsty land!

This past month has had a few unexpected disappointments, so we draw close to our heavenly Father and cry out as the Psalmist did, "Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days." (Ps. 90:14) In our last letter, we shared about getting legal status in order to open the center and we were excited to procure a suitable space to rent. After searching unceasingly and talking to a number of real estate agents, we found a great place. Unfortunately, the agent added a lot of unnecessary fees that made it too expensive for us. The search continued, and we found another that seemed quite suitable and reasonably priced in a great location; however, the owner, an elderly woman, refused to rent to us because she believed that if she rented to a Christian group, it would inhibit her entrance into paradise. After this experience, we changed our tactics and told the agent prior to our looking at a rental, he was to discuss with the owner who we were and our intentions with the space. He spoke to the owner and assured us that it would not be a problem. The place was in a really great location and was clean and well kept; we were even able to barter for a better price. The owner wanted all our legal paperwork and a national to co-sign for us. We agreed to all this and were about to sign the following day when we received a most unfortunate phone call. Ironically, the space had 3 separate owners, 2 men and 1 elderly woman. The men were anxious to rent to us, but when the woman found out, she refused to sign and rent to us because she too believed it would inhibit her entrance into paradise. May the Lord speak to their hearts to know that, in fact, we hold the key to eternal life and paradise which we offer freely! Because of these set-backs, we are going to be using a friend's space to launch the ministry and programs and try to build up some traction as we continue searching for an available location of our own. It is our desire that we be sensitive to God's leading as we move forward in decisions and sing as David did in Psalm 40:1-3, "I waited patiently for the Lord; he turned to me and heard my cry. He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; He set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand. He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see and fear the Lord and put their trust in Him."

What a pleasure to trust in Him, knowing that He hears our every prayer. Finally, we want to thank you for your faithful laboring with us through prayer and giving! Let us praise God together for our new sister in Christ, Melek, whom you have been faithfully praying for. On the day before Easter, after months of studying the Word together and answering her questions according to God's Word, she exclaimed, "I want it! I want it! I want the joy-filled relationship with Jesus Christ that is offered to me! I want it!" That evening she repented of her sin and gave her life to Christ as her personal Savior. It is such a joy to see her grow in her faith and share with her family and friends, this new life and His truth. After receiving Christ, Melek was a bit frightened about sharing with her husband, who is a very religious man – she feared that his reaction would be violent. We prayed together and assured her that the Lord would make it clear when the right timing would be to reveal this truth to him. That evening

at 1a.m., we received a phone call that she could not hold it in any longer and she told her husband that she was now a follower of the Lord Jesus. Much to her surprise, by God's grace, he did not react violently and said that he would not be seeking a divorce. Praise God for this miracle! Please continue to pray that the Lord would keep evil people from her who aim to do her harm and that she can live in peace with her husband, and even see him too come to know Christ through her faithful witness.

Your faithful prayers are so vital to this ministry and such a constant encouragement to us. Thank you for standing in the gap for us as we labor together toward the goal!

Joyfully serving for His glory,  
Joe, Karyn and Angela Cavon

#### Praises and Prayers:

- ◆ Praise God for our new sister, Melek!
- ◆ Praise God for a wonderful visit with Josh, Naomi, and Jacob! May the Lord continue to grow each of them in Him. May they never lose sight of who they are in Christ and continue to make wise and godly decisions in their lives.
- ◆ Praise God Jake finished his semester well. Pray that he can have some good experiences in healthcare while he is here in Turkey, and that he will manage his time well to complete some of the ministry projects we asked him to finish as well as get some experience here in their medical system.
- ◆ Praise God Josh got a new job that pays well and that his boss is a believer. May God continue to give him direction for his future; pray that his and Naomi's relationship will continue to be pure and holy before God.
- ◆ Praise God Joe finally got his work visa!
- ◆ Praise God for many new opportunities to share the Gospel message – Pray for many more.
- ◆ Pray for energy and good time management as we balance our meetings with team, seekers, disciples, and corporate worship.
- ◆ Pray for Fatin. He has gone back to his hometown for summer break and will also spend a month abroad. Pray that he continues to read the Word and seek God while we are not beside him. May the Lord use this time to speak to his heart and grant him the faith to make the final step to accept the gift of eternal life through Jesus.
- ◆ Pray for Bulut to not be satisfied with listening to and never embracing the gift God offers him. Pray for us to have more opportunities to share the Word with his family and friends – God has been opening new doors through this individual.
- ◆ Pray for God to lead us to just the right place to rent for the Women's Center.
- ◆ Pray for Mukkerren as she seeks truth. Pray for her to have the courage to meet on a regular basis.
- ◆ Pray for Firat who has just begun searching for truth. May the Lord reveal Himself to him and use Joe mightily as he teaches him truth.
- ◆ Pray for Selma to have peace and contentment as she continues to struggle financially. Praise God for the amount of income He is providing.
- ◆ Pray for us to strive to live at peace with everyone.
- ◆ Pray for God to give us great boldness in speaking His Word!