

Dear Family and Friends,

It is with great pleasure and praise to our faithful Lord that we write these greetings to you all from Asia Minor! Much has changed since last we were here. Due to the failed coup attempt on July 15th, the country has been put in a state of emergency (called OHAL). It will be this way until at least October 21st, with the possibility of renewing this state for another 3 months. This means that all security is on high alert throughout the country; anyone can be detained at any time for no reason. Unfortunately, another result is that thousands of people have lost their jobs and can no longer support their families. Most of these people were in the education or legal sector. The number of police, however, have increased by 20,000.

The air is filled with tensions, suspicions, and fear. As one who is in Christ, we press on toward the goal, feeling the urgency in our hearts to share this ministry of reconciliation. God's Word reminds us that "there is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens." (Ecc 3:1) Though our deep desire is to go forth, overtly evangelizing our local community with vigor and gusto, we must proceed a little more slowly than we had anticipated during this period of OHAL. Meaning, we cannot do large scale outreaches, mass advertising, or fully public book tables until this state of heightened security is lifted. We have, however, continued on with media use and smaller scale outreaches. By God's grace, this venue has brought us in contact with several people to share with even in this limited time we have been here. Many people are searching for answers that their current belief system is unable to answer. Particularly, answers for the question, in what can we put our hope? What a joy to exclaim, "My hope comes from the Lord, maker of heaven and earth!" (Ps 121:2) Please pray especially for 3 of our new friends, Esmā, Reyha, and Fatin who truly seem to be seeking God.

During this season, we are working on organizing and categorizing what resources we will be able to offer, building a working database, reestablishing phone contact information, and rebuilding a resource-rich, evangelistic website, while searching for just the right area of the city to open the Center. Soon we will be applying for long term residency permits, as we are currently on temporary visas. This process has also changed and is new for us. We are praying that it will be easier than in the past.

Thus far, our transition back has been quick and painless (for the most part), almost as if we had never left. Within a week we found a new apartment to rent. God has blessed us to have such a kind and helpful landlord, which is a first for us and has definitely eased our transition. We did have some trouble establishing Internet connection though. The Internet in Turkey has just recently been privatized; it was previously only obtainable through the government. After hearing raves that the new company had great band width and speed along with a very reasonable bundle deal, we chose to go with them. After waiting for almost 3 weeks, getting the same story each day riddled with hundreds of excuses as to why it's not working, we ended up dismissing them and going back to the government system. Within a day it was up and running. Praise God!

Now that we are moved in and have Internet access, Angela was finally able to begin Internet school. What a blessing that option has turned out to be! Several times during the week we have late nights with brothers and sisters here, as well as midweek and weekend evening meetings. This is not a problem for Angela, as her schedule is flexible enough that she can start school at whatever time is most convenient for her, thus allowing her to sleep in on those mornings following the late nights out. Joshua seems to be doing well in Bozeman, MT, working lots of hours in order to save some money. Jake is enjoying Japan immensely! Check out his vlog at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b63dOxaxmW8> It has been such a blessing for him in so many ways and we praise God for that provision.

Lastly, we would appreciate prayer for God to provide just the right car for us to purchase. We desire one that is large enough to be useful in ministry, low mileage, reliable, and a reasonable price. With hearts full of praise and gratitude, we thank each and every one of you for your faithful prayers,

love, and generous giving to the Lord's work. May you see His glorious hand at work continually in your lives.

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

Cavon Praises and Prayers:

Praise God for bringing us back to be used for His glory!

Praise God for good transitions into life here, a nice apartment and kind, helpful landlord.

Praise God for our finally getting Internet!!!

Praise God for the spiritual growth that we have seen in the brethren here.

Praise God Jake is doing well in Japan and growing in his understanding of the language and culture.

Pray for both Jacob and Joshua to make wise and godly decisions in their lives and to draw near to God especially during this, their first time away from us. Please pray that they would surround themselves with godly people who will stand with them and build them up in the Lord.

Pray for Joe as he seeks to improve his language. May the Lord grant much success and encouragement to him.

Pray for us to be able to quickly find a reliable and affordable vehicle.

Pray for wisdom as we take steps towards outreach during this time. May He bring to us His elect while keeping those that seek to cause trouble far from us.

Pray for wisdom and discernment as we rebuild the outreach website.

Pray for God to grant us much fruit from our labors for His glory.

Pray for patience and diligence for us and Angela in Internet school.