

Dear pastors, churches, and praying friends,

Thank you for your prayers and support for our family and ministry. It is evident that God's people are lifting our family up in prayer. In our last letter, and in several previous letters spanning back to early last year, we have made it known that we are working through some educational struggles. It has been our prayer that the Lord would perhaps open a door for our children to attend an International English School (IES) in Sweden. To our amazement, after submitting numerous applications all around the country, our oldest son, Landon, has been officially accepted into several of them. However, our younger son, Laban, has not yet been accepted into even one of them. So this obviously presents a challenge. We were really hoping that each of our children would be granted admission. But we are quite surprised that we heard back as soon as we did, at least regarding one of our children being accepted. At this time, we have not accepted any of the invitations, but are continuing to pray for God's leading and guidance. After speaking with one of the school administrators at a certain IES school, we are not sure that they would be able to provide any more educational support than a traditional Swedish school could. Also, the student-to-teacher ratio is much higher and the schools generally offer no special class for children in need of extra learning intervention. Landon is receiving such educational assistance while here in the States, and we are confident that he will need comparable help no matter where we are. It has been a tremendous blessing to see Landon develop over the past several months since receiving the proper intervention. He has shown such great ability; the approach to his education simply had to be different. If such intervention is to be provided in Sweden, it will be because God alone makes it come to pass. I can pray and believe, but I am not able to engineer the answer. We have witnessed the Lord provide for us in ways that we never would have imagined, and in spite of seemingly insurmountable odds. Thank you for continuing to pray with us concerning our children's education in Sweden. Our trust is in the Lord.

While in the United States, we are striving to make the best use of our time. We give ourselves quite a bit to our children and spending time with them, helping them with school, homework, etc. The past few months have also provided us the opportunity to visit several supporting churches in our area, and even present our ministry to a couple of new ones. Each visit has been a real blessing. We look forward to continuing this over the next few months as we wait for clearer direction as to how to move forward in Sweden.

Thank you for laboring together with us in prayer.

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