

You, Lord, are forgiving and good, abounding in love to all who call to you. Psalm 86:5

Hello,

Wishing you times for recharging and being refreshed this summer!

Following up stories from June 2017... God's faithfulness

I wanted to follow up on a story I shared with you in June 2017 about a young woman, Pinar, who had come to faith. At that time she was 20 and taking her university entrance exam. Unable to attend Sunday church because of her family, she was coming every Wednesday to take the 18-week basic lessons of the faith series.



Baptism preparations

A year has passed, and I have gotten to know this vibrant, straight forward and sharp young woman better. She has now completed her first year of university as a student of computer engineering. It was a joy three weeks ago to see the huge smile on her face after she got baptized. She had been looking forward to the moment for so many months. On that day, she had to come secretly because, her parents would not have wanted her to do it. An only child, she has a deep love for her parents and they for her, but there is no doubt in her mind as to what she believes, and she had a steadfast determination to follow through with baptism. She looks forward to going back to her university town for this next academic year with great excitement, because a small new church has opened up near her campus. It will no longer be difficult for her to have access to fellowship. Please pray for Pinar's ongoing growth in her walk with Christ.



Welcoming Selami back at the airport!

Also in my letter last June, I had requested prayers of protection for Selami Emre who had completed university and was going off to do his mandatory military service. He returned in mid April and took on his responsibilities as the Antalya team leader for the student ministry on May 1st. What a thrill for Metin and I to pass this role on to this man who so clearly has a passion for youth and students! He has a clear vision for how he feels God is leading the ministry forward and God has provided two full time people to be on his team as well as several volunteers to serve in various ways. We are thankful God protected him request prayers for healing of his back and God's ongoing guidance and anointing upon him.

Looking forward... Turkish students and university student groups from Canada, the United Kingdom, and the U.S., will partner together to hold summer culture exchange programs in the window of June 18 – July 12. The programs will be held from one to two weeks in the cities of Istanbul, Ankara, Izmir and Antalya. We are excited to see growing student initiative and the opportunity to see a group hosted for the first time in Ankara. Your prayers are appreciated, our desire is to see relationships built with new students and the love and truth of Christ communicated in these incarnational friendships.

Other News... The church café continues to run and it will be advertised in the surrounding area during this next month. May the Café become a place for local people to find genuine community, “rest” and hope.

Elections are just around the corner on June 24, we pray for peace and trust God with the results whatever they may be. I am generally well, but would appreciate your prayers for the full healing of my mom's arm. It was broken when a pit bull her neighbors were “dog sitting” lunged at her and knocked her over. ☹



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Thank you for your love, interest and prayers!

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