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God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. 1 Corinthians 1:9

Without a doubt I am so thankful for the faithfulness of God. We greatly enjoyed our time of furlough and seeing everyone we were able to see while we were in the states. We are disappointed in not being able to visit all our supporters, but we are so thankful for what we were able to do.

God allowed us to have a good time with our family and for that we are also grateful. We are entering into a new experience in our lives with an empty nest, but we look forward to seeing what God is going to do in Kylie's life and ask that you remember her in your prayers.

We are still adjusting to being back in Bulgaria and face many cultural challenges. We came back in order to apply for our new Visas, so that is the first major thing on our agenda, (But an important need to be addressed) and we're thankful every time for God's helping hand each time, we do this.

I've been blessed to be in a few meetings since I've been back, and am enjoying the sweet spirit in the church each time I'm there. I'll be back to the meetings in full swing in a week or so after our Visas are secured and we get new tires on our van (which I'm currently waiting on for delivery as I write this letter).

We are in the middle of a construction project in the village of Avren. The Bibles and hymnbooks are printed and stored in one of our buildings there. There is also an upper room where the "Coats for kids" clothing is stored, and where each week we have English and Turkish services there as well. This building had a house

attached to it which was to the point of collapsing. We felt the best option was to level that structure and build a new one. This project has been going on for several months. It is now in the dry with new walls, roof and windows, but it will still take around \$20,000 to finish this project. The insides will need flooring, electrical, plumbing and furnishings. Then we will have a larger place for the church to meet and a kitchen with a fellowship hall. This will include a room for visitors, and indoor bathroom" -- a unique luxury in the village! This will allow us to expand the printing ministry and the "Coats for Kids" closet.



We ask that you pray about this need and what you may do to help.

I'll close by saying thank you again for your faithfulness and love you have shown our family over the years. We look forward to serving the Lord together with you. Please continue to pray for the people here, as God opens the doors for ministry. We are looking to serve Him, and step through any door of opportunity he opens, whether it be with the Bulgarians, Turks or Ukrainian refugees. I believe with what's going on in Israel, that the time to serve the Lord is now. God bless you all.

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