

The Grotkes

Daniel, Holly, Susanna, Ethan, Molly, Gabriel & Else



Norway

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Dear Saints,

Greetings again from Nordland (Northland)! I trust this finds you in the sound mind God gives (II Tim. 1:7), not the spirit of fear or despair. God is still watching from His throne and your reaction to the worldwide “pestilence” is of importance to Him. Norway still has closed borders, and some industries closed down, but has had more freedom within than the USA. Corona brought the largest country-wide shutdown since the German occupation in WWII. Through it all, I have been allowed to continue work full time, and ministry didn’t scale back much either.

Church/Ministry

Although tracting has been greatly reduced, our weekly street preaching and banner holding has worked excellently. The virus has pushed us to do more public preaching and singing with our small church group. Surprisingly, this has been very well received and responded to.

I mentioned a few details of our church trouble last letter. God saw best to reduce our numbers a bit. However, He also saw fit to replace them! We met Deborah on the streets in Ski. She is from Rwanda and has a very sweet spirit, and a servant’s heart and hands. After visiting us alone two Sundays ago, she brought her lost Norwegian husband, Kenneth, and 18 month old Lukas last Sunday. She’d been searching for quite awhile for “a church where the Bible is the authority.” They stayed for both services and lunch, as well as received a Norwegian Bible, Chick’s “Light of the World” and more gospel literature. Please pray for Kenneth to see and respond correctly to truth about eternity.

I also ask prayer for a new troubled, lost co-worker. Daniel (42) received a “Tell It Like It Is” tract and a brief witness. He is also willing to come join us for supper next week. We’re praying for wisdom in reaching him also. Please add the following to your prayer list for salvation: Karen (the kids’ piano teacher), Maggie and family, and the Garder family. There are many doors but with them come many adversaries!



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Home and Family

Praise the Lord, we were all granted one year visas just days before everything closed from Corona! Unfortunately, Holly failed her driving test at the same time, despite the fact that she had a valid US license and has safely driven in snow and busy US cities for 18 years without incident (and this is just an “exchange” license program). Her appeal was rejected, so now it will take much time and money to try again before the deadline in August. (It cost \$330 just to rent the car for the practical test, let alone the added driving lessons required.)

Susanna turned 17 in April. What a strong, talented young lady the Lord gave us. She is always filling our home and church building with beautiful piano music.

Among other things, our gracious landlord gave us permission to put in a 16’x100’ garden. Yay- our first in about 10 years! He also let the boys build a huge treehouse in the nearby forest. We are celebrating passing one year here now, and the wonderful life our Master has given us. How rich in blessings and grace!

Thank you for your faithfulness back “home” when life is difficult. Our Lord Jesus Christ is worthy of our toil, sacrifice, and love.

Love in Christ Jesus,

Brother Daniel and the Grotke family

PS We have created a ministry update video if you would like to view it. It is an unlisted link so you must have a copy of the link to view it.

https://youtu.be/PvtDzeNv_F0