June UPDATE

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June was a month full of celebration for our family. We thank God for the gift of eight wonderful years of marriage and the opportunity to celebrate our daughters' birthdays—Macey turned 6 and Milani turned 3! I am continually blessed by my incredible wife who loves Jesus, our girls, and the ministry so well. She planned a beautiful joint birthday party for the girls at a local community centre, and we were overwhelmed with gratitude to have over 70 people attend—friends, neighbours, classmates, church members, and others we've met in the community. One of our friends, Kosala from Sri Lanka, arrived early to help decorate—what a gift! Before we prayed for the meal, I shared with everyone that when we first moved to Derry, we knew almost no one. And now, to see how God has surrounded us with friendship and love is truly humbling. Please pray for wisdom, favour, and soft hearts as we continue to build and steward these relationships for the sake of the Gospel.

We also praise God for the spiritual growth happening within the church. One of the men Josh has been discipling, Wale, has recently completed the *Continue Discipleship Course*, finished kids' class teacher training, and become a member of the church. Wale now serves in our children's ministry on a rotation and has a growing desire to disciple others as well. It's been such a blessing to witness a core group of believers maturing, serving, and giving more consistently. Please continue to pray for ongoing discipleship, clarity in gospel conversations, and for those considering membership.

Another exciting development is the upcoming launch of the Grásta outreach centre this fall. We recently held a prayer time on-site with 20 people from the church, asking the Lord to use the space for His glory. Some of the men came back the next day to help begin the physical work—stripping wallpaper and removing old furniture. There's still much work to do! As Josh was unlocking the building one day, a man named Claude stopped by, curious (and a bit sceptical) about the new outreach centre. This led to a Gospel conversation, and Denis, who was with Josh, encouraged Claude to read the tract we gave him and consider studying the Bible with us. Please pray we can reconnect with Claude and that the Grásta building would be used mightily in the months ahead.

PRAYER PRAISES

- Relationships outside the church to result in people getting saved
- More in the church to be saved, discipled, give, become members, and serve.
- More laborers in Derry and Ireland to be a part of church planting TEAMS
- Wisdom and grace to raise a strong, loving, and grounded family
- Preparations for Grásta outreach this Fall and the Summer mission teams
- Upcoming and ongoing Visa applications for family
- 8 years of marriage and amazing birthday party connections
- Wale completing discipleship course, becoming a member, & teaching kids
- The many opportunities to share the Gospel
- People stepping up in serving, outreach, and helping with Grásta preparations



Birthday Girls!

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Looking ahead, we're excited to welcome two mission teams—one from Somerville Baptist in Alabama and another from South Haven Baptist in Tennessee. These teams will be helping with the Holiday Bible Club in July, the Evangelistic Basketball Camp & Tournament in August, and lots of outreach. We're encouraged to see the church family actively involved in spreading the word one man was even able to get his child's school to distribute hundreds of leaflets! So far, 55 children and teens have registered, over half of these we have no prior connection with. Please pray for the final preparations, for the hearts of those serving and attending, and that the Gospel would go forth in power. Thank you for praying, giving, and partnering with us as we seek to make Christ known in Derry and and the surrounding areas.



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