



# The Willoughbys

Reaching the unreached in Estonia

January 2024

- Evangelizing
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Dear Praying Friends,

It's cold! This is turning out to be the coldest winter we have ever experienced in Estonia. The temperature dropped down below 0 Fahrenheit (-20 C)! Along with the cold there has been plenty of snow. However, life and ministry continue to go on!

**Services:** Our sermon series for the new year is from the book of Isaiah. Just Eugene and our family are attending for now. We wish there were more people coming, but we realize that people must decide for themselves whether they will attend. In the long term our hope and vision is that the children and youth whom we are reaching with the Gospel will form the core of our church. For now, we share the Gospel, invite people to come, and faithfully attend as a family. We still await Raivo and his family from Australia, but this transition has proved more difficult than they expected.

**Bible Club:** Usually there are 5 to 7 children at our Sunday afternoon Bible Club, which is very encouraging. Some parents forbid their children from coming, and many children would rather be at a friend's house or playing video games if given the choice. We are thankful for every boy or girl who comes! Two of the Bible Club children are now old enough to start attending youth group as well.

**Youth:** Our youth meetings in the fall were well attended. When Nick Vujicic came to Estonia in November, we went to hear him as a family, and then played a portion of his message to our teens at the next meeting. I can tell that some of these teens have never heard someone share the Gospel before. Probably some have never personally known anyone who really believes in Jesus Christ and that the Bible is 100% true! My hope is that the Gospel seed has been planted in many hearts and that they will never be able to forget what they heard. Our desire is that the enthusiasm from the fall will carry into the new year.

**Furlough 2024:** Most of our meeting times have now been filled for our summer furlough. We are scheduled to be in Minnesota, Iowa, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Florida, Georgia, and Kentucky. We look forward to seeing many of you!

Think of us and pray for us the next time you reach for your winter coat. Think of the people we are sharing the Gospel with and the children and youth who come to our events. Stay warm! Yours for Estonia,

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**Next Furlough: July 2024**

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