



The Willoughbys

Reaching the unreached in Estonia

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Dear Praying Friends,

This has likely been the greatest summer in Estonia for outreach. We have sown the seed of the Gospel, and we have watered. We await the harvest!

One Flew the Nest: As we continue serving here, it is hard to believe that our oldest is now at Pensacola Christian College starting her freshman year. RoseLynn left Estonia in May to become a summer worker at PCC. Any parents with adult children know the mixed feeling of knowing they need to go but missing them anyway! One challenge of growing up on the mission field is going back to live in your own country which is in many ways foreign to you. We are thankful for how well she is adjusting!

July Outreach: July was our quiet summer month. We took a few days of family vacation on the island of Hiiumaa. We did our best to keep up a presence in the community by playing volleyball and 9-square in the park with our teens. Raivo and I went witnessing in the park on Monday evenings. It is amazing how open most people were to talk about spiritual topics. The young people were especially open to having these kinds of conversations. Over a dozen teens now know us personally and a few came to our first fall youth meeting!

August Events: August began with the musical Herbert family coming to Estonia for some ministry opportunities. One of these was a free concert in the local community center. We learned a lot from hosting such an event for the first time. Through the concert, we were able to present the Gospel to several pensioners as well as to the young man who was working the building maintenance that night. Praise the Lord for seed sown! The Herberts also joined us that following Saturday at the Peetri Fair; they helped with the games and provided some live music. Raivo also joined us at our church booth and witnessed to people that day. We shared our faith with Estonians and even a few people from the Caucasus (Kazakhstan and Azerbaijan). Many told us that they already know about our church and where we meet on Sundays. It seems that we are becoming known in the community! God is working!

August ended with the annual Café Day where we again had so many Gospel conversations with passersby. One who stood out was Erki, whose infant son was born with severe complications. Erki said he had believed in God until this tragedy occurred, so we did our best to encourage him. Please pray for this dear, discouraged man. These are real people we are meeting, and they have real struggles.

Children: Our children's outreach continued throughout the summer in the form of our Pinewood Derby workshops. God allowed me to have some one-on-one time with a few of the boys. Some are not believers, and others are lukewarm in their dedication to Jesus. One boy in Andrew's class from school prayed and asked Jesus to be his Savior on the last workshop day. Pray for Arlis to grow in his new faith!

Even though RoseLynn has left us to study in Pensacola, the rest of us continue to serve right here in Peetri, Estonia. God has given us so many witnessing opportunities this last summer, and we are honored to serve Him with the few talents that we have. We have planted, and we have watered. Pray that God would grant a great harvest!

Yours for Estonia,

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