



McCracken Memo



ATHENS, GREECE

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Our first Easter Sunday in Greece will be one to remember! After the service at church, many of us piled in cars and headed to the Mediterranean Sea for Jamal's baptism! His excitement was inspiring! We had two Iraqis, Jamal (a Kuwaiti), a Pole, a Brit, and three Americans riding in our van. Jamal insisted that we sing every song we knew about Christ's resurrection! The felt presence of the Lord and the unity of His Spirit was so overwhelming; the Lord once again reminded us why He has called us to Greece!

It's hard to believe that we've lived in Greece for eight months already! It feels like home now and we are thankful to be here. The Lord has blessed us with good friends and a ministry we enjoy. The harvest is full and ripe here in Greece.

Kendra is putting words together now and becoming a mimic! She is growing so fast, we can't keep up with all the new things she does! She is a constant joy and delight! Thank you for your prayers for our family—we are healthy and happy!

Thank you for your prayers of our team-mate, Lois Funk. The Lord worked miracles regarding her housing! She has found a strategically located apartment, close to many of the women she has since begun to work with. The owner came down 45,000 drachmas in price (about \$300 / mo.)! Also, her landlady is very open to the Gospel and Lois has had many opportunities to share with her.

Prayers and Praises:

**Praise* for the many new Believers that have come to know the Lord in the past few months—including the one Greek man.

**Pray* for the Vacation Bible School for the refugee children that will happen in July.

**Pray* for Alex and Jason's support-raising...we need them here!

**Pray* for our Summer Team outreach. This group of seven will join us in June.

Lois has adjusted well to Greece and her ministry! Since being here, the Lord has used Lois to bring women into a relationship with Himself. We praise God for our team-mate!

Scott continues to visit the English speaking foreigners in the prison twice a month. Many of their situations are so tragic—12 years in prison because they were visiting someone who was involved in drugs and they weren't aware of it.. Guilty by association. But many have found new life in Jesus and are anxious to live for Him. Vicki is in charge of corresponding with the prisoners and sending Bibles, stationary, or toiletries that they may request. We are thankful for the access we have been given to minister to these prisoners.

We are so thankful for your love, prayers, and financial giving! God has supplied our every need and we are thankful for the way He is using you to reach out to the needy people in Athens! We love you and appreciate you! We lift you up in our prayers—please let us know how we can pray more specifically for you! Have a great day!

On April 27th and 28th, our first "Leadership Retreat" took place. It was an intensive time of teaching and discipleship training for those with leadership potential in each of the people groups we are working with. We are excited at the desire we see in those individuals to grow and be used by God.

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