

Community Church from Canada sponsored the camp and did a great job with everything. It was hard work, but all were blessed by the experience. Some comments from the parents:

"We will never let our kids go with anyone, but we trust Helping Hands".

"Thank you for taking our kids. This was the first time we were alone as a couple in years".

ENCOURAGING TRUE STORIES

Almost two years ago we were blessed to see a whole Iranian family accepting the Lord and being baptized and attending the bible studies for new believers. They were growing in their faith and witnessing to many other refugees. After staying in Athens for few months they moved to Norway. We gave them any recommendation letters we could in order to help their case. When they arrived in Norway they met many refugees who knew of Helping Hands because when they were in Greece, they were coming to our Tea House and they heart about Jesus.

This Iranian family started witnessing to them and explaining why they became followers of Jesus. About 10 of them accepted Jesus and started a small fellowship. They went to a Pastor in their city and asked if they can have a room in his church building to worship God. The pastor with enthusiasm agreed to give them a room with one condition, that they will be present at the morning Service and sing couple hymns in Iranian.

But God had a greater encouragement kept for us. One morning my mobile rung and it was from the Norwegian Embassy. They wanted to see me and talk with me. So one Thursday noon a lady came at my office at Helping Hands to talk with me. In asking her how they found my mobile number and what connection do we have with the Embassy, the Lady said here is everything you want to know and handed me a file full of documents.

I opened the file and I found my recommendation letter with my signature, my phone numbers, address, photos, etc. It was the file of the application for asylum of the Iranian family who were already in Norway.

As I was looking the documents I heart the Lady asking me: "Do you believe that they are Christians"? I said to her: "If they are not Christians then neither me nor you are Christians"!

Then we talked about many things concerning

their case and after meeting Nader too and talking with him about them, the Lady from the Embassy left.

As she was opening the door...stop... turned to me and said: "they must be true Christians because wherever we put tem they make the rest of the refugees Christians".

They heart the Gospel at Helping Hands. Shared the massage with others in Norway. They witnessed even to government employees.

WHAT A TESTIMONY!



INVESTMENT

If you want to invest in this ministry you can make the check out to: INTERNATIONAL TEAMS, clearly indicating that is for the "HELPING HANDS" ministry in Greece and sent it to:

INTERNATIONAL TEAMS /USA

411 W. River RD. Elgin, IL 60123-1570 USA

OR

INTERNATIONAL TEAMS/UK

PO box 11 Brecon, Powys LD3 9WJ UNITED KINGDOM

OR

INTERNATIONAL TEAMS/Canada

1 Union Street Elmira, Ontario N3B 3J9 CANADA OR

INTERNATIONAL TEAMS/Australia

PO Box 1123 Baulkham Hills NSW 1755 AUSTRALIA

All financial donations in the above locations are TAX-DEDUCTIBLE

If you want to invest time you can do so. We are thankful to God for many Short Term Teams, which are coming and providing great help in this ministry. If you are interested to come to serve the Lord among the refugees in Athens for any length of time please write to us for more information.

You can write directly to Kate Cami who is the contact person for the Short Term Teams. Her e-mail is: ilir.cami@iteams.org

For any other reason you can write directly to me:

Rev. Nikos Stefanidis PO Box 34210 100 29 ATHENS GREECE

E-mail: nikostef@hol.gr Tel.: ++ (30) 210 96 47 195 Mobile: ++ (30) 697 222 14 69