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Nader and Ella from Athens to ...?

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Dear Praying Friends,

Below is a letter I wrote to those who have been financially supporting Nader and Ella Mohajer. I am sharing it at the same time with those who may not have been financially supporting, but have been praying. Respond as the Lord leads.

Grateful,

Scott McCracken Associate Ministry Leader Athens, Greece

Dear Friends of This Ministry and Supporters of Nader and Ella Mohajer,

We hope that you had a blessed Christmas and will experience more of God's ACTIVE presence in your life in 2008!

It is difficult to adequately express how grateful we are for the investments you have made in this ministry by investing in Nader and Ella. Only eternity will reveal the extent to which your role helped bring the nations to Jesus through Athens.

The Mohajers have been KEY players, filling a CRUCIAL role on our team for several years now. MANY Muslims have come to faith in Christ as a result of the Spirit using them (directly and indirectly).

For the last several months, much prayer and discussion and research have been invested trying to discern the Lord's will about a potential change of ministry location for Nader and Ella. It SEEMS like the Lord may be leading them on to minister in partnership with a local church in Norway. The Mohajers and I have all visited there, met with the leadership of the church, spent time in prayer and discussion, interviewed others who live there and minister there, interacted with our leadership team in Athens (and other leaders in International Teams), and spent much time in private prayer about this matter.

EVERYTHING so far SEEMS to be a good fit, with "green lights". Although we will HATE to "lose" Nader and Ella from our team in Athens, we would be thrilled for the living and ministry opportunities this would allow them to experience that they cannot experience here. It also would potentially provide them with long-term legal residency in Norway (which they do not have in Greece).

The final, and ONLY, issue to be dealt with at this point in the process is a financial one. Norway is a much more expensive place to live than Greece. The Norwegian church with whom they will work (which already has a thriving ministry to Persians)

will be able to provide some financial support, but not all that the government will require in order for them to legally reside there long-term. We are currently pursuing other potential sources of funding, without any definitive answers yet.

As active members of their support team, we would like to ask you 3 questions:

1. Would you be willing to pray for them concerning this potential move?

2. Would you be willing to CONTINUE financially supporting them (through International Teams, as you have been)? IF THE ANSWER TO THIS IS "YES", CAN YOU PLEASE LET US KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THANKS!

3. Would you be willing to try and recruit at least one other supporter to join them (a missions committee, a friend, a Sunday School class, a small group, etc.)?

Again, we are grateful for your part in this ministry. If you would like more specific information, please feel free to ask and it will be provided as we know it.

Grateful,

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