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Dear Praying friend

What a day, it was an amazing day. My day started at 7:30. I woke up and thinking I have 5 more days to stay in Greece. I started my day with a simple prayer: "Lord I give my days to your hands, give me your peace." There was a lot happening today. It was my parents' anniversary and my uncle's birthday; my dad had to go to a government place to pay for insurance for getting his papers. We had a court time in Holland (for our second appeal) at 3:30 Greek time and we were going to the Iranian embassy to renew my passport. I was scared. I was going to try to renew it but I didn't know what the result would be. They usually ask why did you leave Iran and what are you doing now. There was a general strike in Athens. All the public transportations were on strike. There was huge traffic and took us a long time to get to the embassy but it was great time to pray and focus on God while Arno was driving.

We got to the embassy and they gave us a form to fill in. I gave him my expired passport and the form which I filled in and pictures. He looked at us and said, "There is a strike so I am not busy. Wait while I renew your passport now." He went in and we sat down and waited for him. (This process usually takes at least 2 days). After a while he came out and gave me my passport which was renewed till 2008. Inside of me I was shouting, "Praise God! Praise the name of Jesus! I waited till I got out of the embassy and I was so full joy I couldn't stand on my feet!

We called Arno's dad in Holland and told him the news and he asked us to fax a copy of my passport to our lawyers in Holland in time for the court case that was just about to start. We faxed them. I also talked with my lawyer in Greece. He told me that now I can get a Greek resident permit without any problem, and he asked us to go to the city hall tomorrow and apply for it. I was getting my documents ready for city hall when our phone rang. It was Arno's father, and he was full of joy to tell us that the court in Holland gave us a positive answer in an amazing way! It was exceptional because the judge decided quickly, and immediately they gave us

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answer that I will be accepted in Holland now!!

It was truly God! Because of the strike I got my passport in one day (which normally would take me at least couple of days). So I could fax it to Holland just in time for the court, and the court gave us a positive answer earlier than we expected (after two previous attempts were met with an overtly rude rejection).

We already have the written answer from the court, which means I can go to Holland and get a resident permit for Holland and Europe. I can go and see my family in Holland and the country that my husband comes from. More than any thing else, from now on I can travel.

Praise God that He is never late! He is always on time. His plans are wonderful! When He closes one door He will always open another one, which is far better than we can imagine!

I know you all prayed for us in this hard time. We want to thank you for standing with us. Especially in the time I was stressed and worried and busy and couldn't pray with peace. And I didn't know how to pray and pray for what. You stood in the gap for us.

We appreciate your prayers and the love that you show us in this difficult time

Truly His

Sahar and Arno

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