

April, 2024

Greetings Fellow Laborers,

Deuteronomy 3:24 O Lord GOD, thou hast begun to shew thy servant thy greatness, and thy mighty hand:

First, we wanted to thank each one of you for praying for us as we took our survey trip earlier this month. There were a lot of unknown questions we needed answers for. We are excited to inform you that God has not only answered the questions but also shown us His greatness and His mighty hand.

The first answer was regarding our immigration process. We are thankful that we have a sponsorship in conjunction with Bro. Gerry Calba and the good people of Copenhagen Bethel Missionary Baptist Church. We are thankful for their partnership with us! We will be able to enter the country and process our paperwork for missionary visas.

The next answer was the issue of taxation. As most of you know we were looking at being taxed at 56%. However, due to new regulations and the current law, we will be taxed at 38%!!! We praise the Lord for working in this matter. This means we are further down the road in deputation than we first thought. The cost of food is about the same now as in America due to the current inflation rates here in America.

We were able to meet with the couples who will make up the church when we replant it. We decided to name the church after the one Bro. Scott Suttle had started, Grace Baptist Church, we are excited about getting to Denmark to restart this work. The families of the church stated that they had kept some furniture and in doing so we would not have to buy a lot of furniture for the house. We were able to figure it would cost approximately \$1300 for each bedroom to be furnished and about the same amount for the kitchen.

Please be in prayer as we might have an opportunity to use or rent a church building. If God will allow us to use this building we will not have to use the house for church but invite people to an actual church house. This would also allow us to find a smaller house, as well as live out of the city so that our rent would be cheaper.

The biggest thing we are praying about is the vehicle situation. The cost of gas is roughly \$8.50 a gallon and for diesel, it is \$9.00 a gallon. Diesel is currently banned from use in Copenhagen and you are assessed a fine if you drive a diesel vehicle in the city. Because of these prices and the regulations, we are looking at buying an electric van. We will need to raise approximately \$40,000 for the vehicle. Will you please prayerfully consider giving towards the purchase of the van? This vehicle is large enough for the family as well as large enough to pick up children and families for church.

With all of this said we are currently sitting at 56% of our goal and now looking at moving to Denmark in January or February of 2025!!!! Please pray that we can raise the money for the van so that we can use it to start the first bus route in Denmark. Please pray for the families of Grace Baptist Church as they await our arrival. May God bless you and your labor of love.

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The Van we are in need of:



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