

PETERS' NEWS

Dear friend we greet you with the sobering words of Paul,

"Moreover, it is required of stewards that they be found faithful." 1 Corinthians 4:2

We all have a responsibility to be faithful to the people and in the things God has entrusted to us. We have failed in keeping you up to date through a regular prayer letter. Please forgive us.

Grace Community Church, Roscommon

Encouragements

Christ is faithfully building his church. Last year the church membership doubled, from 12 to 25 with over 50 regularly attend on a Sunday. A baptism service is planned for the autumn. We are encouraged to see spiritual growth and eagerness to serve the Lord.

Eugen was able to teach a Christmas and Easter lesson in the school Lydia and Joshua now attend, the teachers were really appreciative. Please pray this opportunity would expand.

The Friday Club has had a faithful, keen bunch of children learning God's word each week during the school year and we and the other helpers have known God's help.

Challenges

Some of the dear brothers and sisters are still immature in faith and others struggle in their marriages or living for Christ. There is a lot of need for various forms of discipleship.

Please pray for another leader to help Eugen with the weekly youth group.

Goals for the next few months

Teach, train, equip our people in discipleship and evangelism. In the autumn the church will be taking part in a national 6 week 'What's the story?' outreach. We hope this will also be a stepping stone to encourage a culture of evangelism and discipleship in our church. Also for the next year we will be focusing on training men to be faithful leaders in their homes, church and work.

Family

If you would ask us how are we doing as a family? Then we would say in general good. Our two oldest Lydia (8) and Joshua (6) are doing much better this year.

They love God, church and school and are most of the time relatively well behaved, and Timothy (18 months) is full of life and mischief keeping us busy!

But if you would ask us how are we doing as a family compared to God's standards in the Bible, then we have to say that the last year has been a challenge. Don't get us wrong by the grace of God we are doing ok, but there is so much to improve, mature and grow. The busyness of being in a new place, ministry and life didn't do much good for our marriage and family. We want and need to grow and mature in our marriage and family. Please pray for us for God's glory.



Partnership in the gospel

We know from the word of God, that Christ is building his Church through his body, the believers. Those who obey the word of Christ and pray for the advancement of the Kingdom of God, those who give financially to enable those who go in the power of the Holy Spirit proclaiming the gospel and teaching everything Christ has commanded us. **In that context we want to thank you for your faithful partnership in the gospel.**

At the same time we want to encourage you to continue to pray for us as a family and the work we are involved with in Grace Community Church in Roscommon. If you like to be added to a more regular what's app group or email list to receive more regular, brief prayer points, please get in touch with us and let us know. If you want to be added to the What's app group please text Eugen on What's app +353 863508958. Thank you.

Holiday Bible Club

Praise the LORD for the very encouraging HBC on 4 - 8 July. The HBC, by the grace of God was a success in many ways. People in the church were trained, equipped and encouraged to use their gifts and talents to serve the LORD. There was a great enthusiasm among the children who came. We were able to connect with the local community and proclaim the gospel to children and parents. One of the mothers, not a believer yet, is interested in coming to our church service. And in God's providence we were able to encourage and equip another church, in a different county to do a HBC and to reach children with the gospel.



Eugen's Studies

For the last three months Michael, the Pastor, was away in America and, as assistant pastor, Eugen had a lot more work and responsibilities. Knowing that beforehand, Eugen decided not to take the last two modules on Greek exegesis but instead he hopes to do them at another time. At the minute Eugen is taking the preaching lab 2 module and for that he will also travel at the end of August for 5 days of classes. He really enjoyed and benefitted from his study trip to Greece earlier in the year, visiting many places on Paul's missionary journeys.

Thank you for your faithful partnership in the Gospel.

Eugen, Claire, Lydia, Joshua and Timothy Peters

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