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Prayer Requests:

- Missionary Support
- Local Staff For YWAM
- Karis Outreach

And He summoned the twelve and began to send them out in pairs, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits; - Mark 6:7

Jesus chose twelve disciples to be with Him, to teach them, and demonstrate the power of God in their presence as the Messiah. They were part of His master plan of evangelism to proclaim that the Kingdom of God was at hand (Mark 1:15). The purpose of being with them was so they could go out as well. He sent them in pairs so they could strengthen one another. The early church continued this practice, as Paul usually had a partner like Barnabas or Silas, or sometimes others who journeyed with him (Acts 15:22). Every Christian family is to disciple their own children and every church its members. But, there comes a time when they must be sent out. We would like to keep our friends and family close, but the world is in need and Jesus sent out those closest to Him, to share the love of the Father.

My own granddaughter, Karis Thurlby, started a DTS (Discipleship Training School) with YWAM in January this year, and has been on outreach since the beginning of April. She started her outreach in Houston, Texas, for two weeks, working with local churches, homeless encampments, immigrants, street church, and kids ministries. On April 17th, Karis flew to Norway with a group of nine others on their outreach team. The first part of their outreach in Norway was in a coastal city called Kristiansand where they worked with a Christian private school, and taught at local youth groups. After this, they traveled by bus and train to Stockholm, Sweden, working with the Salvation Army and the local YWAM base, and local churches doing street evangelism and ministry. This is where she is currently stationed. After this they will travel back to Oslo, Norway, and work with local YWAM ministries to be part of “The Send.” This is a major conference to encourage people to take part of missional opportunities in their area and around the world. They will be participating in intercession and local outreach prior to the conference taking place — spiritual preparation!



Above, Karis (green jacket, bottom-center) is with the members and leaders of her outreach team to Norway and Sweden. This picture was taken in Stockholm, Sweden. Karis informed us that there were many Muslims in Sweden that had immigrated there and most were very hesitant to speak with them about spiritual things. She said there was a lot of rejection, but they kept on praying and witnessing.

Below is a picture of Karis with some students during their time in Kristiansand, Norway. They were able to give their testimonies and have worship with the students, and even play Futbol (not soccer!). Some of their youth meetings lasted five

hours and she said there was so much hunger for the presence of God.



Please continue to uplift them as their outreach continues until May 19th. We are believing for wonderful testimonies when she returns. God is calling us all to serve, both locally and internationally — be ready to respond!

*Co-laborers in Christ,
Joyce Thurlby*