



The Willoughbys

Reaching the unreached in Estonia

May 2025

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Dear Praying Friends,

The geese have returned and the cherry trees are in full blossom. Spring has finally properly arrived! The arrival of spring always means a flurry of preparations for our annual VBS and other summer events. We are looking forward to a fruitful season of ministry.

Tract Project: There has been some real progress in our tract distribution. We finished canvassing our area of about 8,000 residents. I found a Christian artist to illustrate our new tract, and it is nearing completion. We just need to make some final changes and send the files to the printer. Pray that God would use this new tract entitled "He who seeks, will find" to cause skeptical Estonians to investigate the claims of the Bible.

Youth: Our three older children, RoseLynn, Ryland, and Abigail, provide the core of our youth group. Several other teens come for the games and social interaction. In this context, I asked Ryland to give his salvation testimony during our last meeting, and he did a great job. My goal is to see several others give their testimonies to encourage spiritual leadership and a bolder witness. It will be sad to send RoseLynn away to college at the end of May, but overall, the future of our youth group seems bright!

Summer Events: The summer will kick off with the Järveküla Café Day on June 7. This will be our first time to participate in this event in our neighboring town. Just like the Peetri Café Day in August, we will be offering a free dessert or coffee to passersby, and a cornhole or ladder golf game for their children to try out. This gives us the opportunity to tell them about our church and to give a word of witness.

The next summer event is our annual VBS June 9-13. Though we decided that we are not yet ready to do the assembly drama, we are expecting to have a great week! For all of May, our VBS advertisement is appearing on a local digital billboard several times an hour, and we are posting invitations in the community Facebook groups. Raivo will be team teaching the Bible lessons with me this year, and teen volunteers will be helping in dozens of ways with crafts, games, and set-up. We even have a couple from a supporting church in Virginia flying over to help that week! Please pray for God to bring the right children prepared for the seed to be sown in their hearts.

In addition to our usual August events, a special music team will be with us during the week of August 5. We plan to rent the nearby community center hall for a concert. If the weather is cooperative, we hope to have an open-air, park concert as well.

The signs of spring promise warmer weather and opportunities to serve the Lord in ways that are not possible the rest of the year. We ask that you pray for our youth, our church, and all of these summer events!

Yours for Estonia,

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