

Norway News and Prayer Letter Hansen April 2025

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Greetings to everyone in the name that is above every name, Jesus Christ.

The Lord is at work. I have my flight tickets for Norway. I opted for the 3 month visa again, leaving on 5 May and returning on 24 July. The reason is that the other missionary family is applying for a 1 year visa and we both would be using the same Norwegian pastor as a work source for the consulate, and he, the missionary, has a wife and 3 children. If we both applied at the same time they are more likely to deny both of us. We will be working together once we both get there, but since he is younger and has pastoral experience, once the new church gets started I will eventually be leaving him as the senior pastor. He already applied once and was refused because he didn't have all of the necessary documents.

Also, I will be staying with a Norwegian family there in Bergen for free. Pray for Stian and Alba. He is a Norwegian businessman and his wife is the sister of the missionary who is going to be working with me. Alba, the wife of the Norwegian, and her sister Jenny, are both from Ecuador. Manuel Merino is Jenny's husband, and they both already speak Norwegian, and Spanish, but no English. Virtually all Norwegians speak English. I have been trying to learn Norwegian, but it is not "sticking" very well at all.

I sent a box of Norwegian tracts over there about two weeks ago, and they already received them and have started passing them out.

Our first goal, once I arrive, will be to discuss with the Norwegian pastor, Jan (John), where he thinks would be the best place to start the new work. He started the church he pastors there about 20 years ago, and I will be consulting with him so that we don't get set up too close to each other, etc. He pastors the only Baptist church that I am aware of in Bergen. Actually, it's not too far from where I stayed when I was in Norway last year.

Thank you so very much for your prayers and support. It's obvious that the Lord is already moving, so please keep it up.

God is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

Yours for His,

Bill

"Call unto me and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not." Jer. 33:3