
Norway News and Prayer Letter Bill Hansen Oct 2025

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Dear Everyone,

The Lord said, "I will build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Here is the latest info on Norway, and also my most recent visits to some of my supporting churches.

This past September I took off for Estherville, Iowa, to start the sale of my rent house there. A real estate agent is doing very well with helping me sell that house which had belonged to Ellie and which I inherited from her when she took off for Heaven in July of 2022. After Estherville, I proceeded to present my new field of Norway to the great Community Baptist Church in South Riding, Virginia which gave me a wonderful reception and I was able to challenge the teens during the Sunday School hour following up with a presentation to the church during the next hour for services. Then, in the evening, I was blessed to give the presentation on Norway and preach to the folks at Fairfax Baptist Temple in Fairfax Station, Virginia. Met many friends whom I had not seen for several years and it was a great moment to catch up for all of us and for me to show how the Lord was working already in Norway.

On the return trip to Oregon, I participated in a full missions conference from Wednesday through Sunday evening at the great Heartland Baptist Church in Perryville, Missouri where Pastor Jim Kiefer and his wife, Tammie, oversee a great flock of brothers and sisters in Christ. They have been supporting us since Jim started the church 25 years ago. Actually, this missions conference was their 25th anniversary celebration. There were 5 or 6 of us missionaries there for this important celebration.

Don't forget to pray for the following Norwegian families in the pictures below: They have already said they want to be part of the new work getting started in Bergen. Manuel Merino is a missionary from Ecuador called to minister in Bergen, Norway. He already speaks Norwegian and had lived there for several years shortly after getting saved at the age of 20. He also has pastoral experience and will be working with me for about three years, at which time I plan to turn the work over to him until the church calls a Norwegian pastor, hopefully from among our own church. In the next photo is Stian Skoge with his family. Below him is Paul and his family. These all are interested in having a good Baptist church in the Bergen area and will come once it gets started. The fourth family is a young businessman, wife and son, who are close friends with the other two families and will help when he can even though he lives a bit more of a distance away. His name is Edson and he, his wife, and young son are all saved.

Please pray as I prepare to go back to Norway in December. Since I was there last July, I have to wait at least 90 days to get back in, and additionally the previous owner of the house I just bought in Portland is not going to move out for another week or so because she is in the daisy chain waiting for the seller to move out of her new home so she can move in. Then, when she is out of her old house,

now my house, I must clean and stretch the wall to wall carpet, and then purchase furniture to move into the place, such as beds, tables, chairs, etc., I will need November to do all of that.

God is very good, and the Lord is indeed building His church there in Bergen, Norway. I met all these families, with the exception of the missionary, in a period of 3 months this past summer. God is indeed very good.

Missionary Manuel Merino and family



Stian Skoge family



Paul, Fransisca and family



Edson and Theresa Nieto



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