

The Gospel in Scandinavia



1st Quarter Report
2010

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Robertson

← Norway, had
record amounts
of snow this
winter!

Attend. & Contrib. Averages

- Sunday AM: 5
- Tuesday PM: 3
- Contribution: 919Kr
(\$161)

Moving in 2010

As I mentioned in the last report, the immigration laws changed in 2009. The new laws state that anyone that is employed in a leader/teacher role for a church must have a Master's Degree. They will also evaluate your education and experience. After evaluating the information I had sent them, they decided I **do not** fulfill their requirements and therefore must leave the country.

Upon receiving the official letter in the mail, I will have 10 days. However, because I need some time to prepare the church, find a congregation to work with, and move, we are going to do something a little different. After I have left the country I am allowed to return for three months as a tourist. So, depending on when I receive the letter, I will do that at least once. We will not be ready to move before October/November.

In my previous report, I told you that if this was the case I would be looking for a congregation that has a training program. However, I received the thoughts of some preachers that know me and my work well. They suggested that it would be more helpful for me to

return to the States and either work by myself with a congregation or in a two-preacher situation rather than some type of training program. They believe I am experienced enough that I will only grow by taking on a full load of responsibilities, but in my home country. After listening to their reasoning, I believe they are correct.

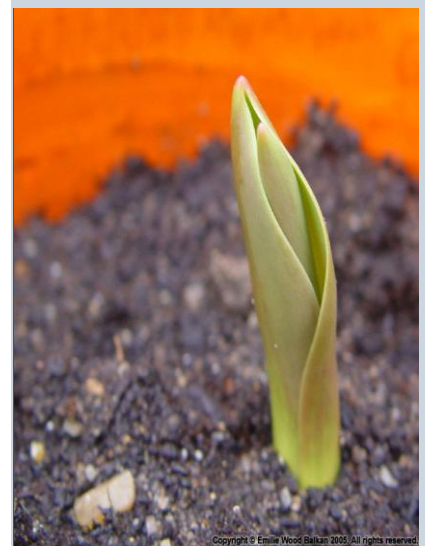
So, I am currently looking for a congregation in the USA that is looking for a preacher. If you know of any congregation that is looking, please let me know. Also, I have set up a website where my resume, articles I have written, and audio of sermons I have preached can be easily accessed. The address is:

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I will let you know any more information in the next report which will be sent out in the beginning of July. We are going to continue working hard until we leave! Please continue to pray for us and especially for the congregation here.

**“For we are God’s
fellow workers; you
are God’s field,
God’s building.”**

(I Cor. 3:9)



...But Spring is almost here!
Slight tints of color are
popping up in our yard.



Norwegians watch their chocolate milk levels very closely.

Visitors and Other News

Before we left for the States, there was **a young woman from Minnesota** who visited our services. She is actually a Lutheran and is studying and working in Bergen. She was glad that our services were English-friendly. However, we have not seen her since.

I want to let you know that **Bryan Moody** spent a week in Bergen while we were in the States. In case you don't know, Bryan and his wife, Stephanie, worked with the congregation in Bergen for over a year after Terrell left and before we came. We are very thankful for Bryan's willingness to spend the time here while we were gone and the Helena congregation's willingness to let him come.

While Bryan was here, a

woman that visited when he was living here returned. **Sonata** is Lithuanian and works in Bergen. She has been coming for 1.5 months straight. She even attends our mid-week study. We have begun to inquire a little more into her history and talk about some important Bible subjects. Hopefully, we will know more soon. Pray that she continues and that we have wisdom in our relationship with her.

A young Norwegian man named **Samuel** visited our services in March. I had contacted him through Facebook as he had roomed with a friend of mine while studying in the States. Also, on the same day, a Norwegian woman, **Bergitte**, attended services. She had stopped by the building the day before as we were making some preparations for Sunday.

1st Quarter Lessons & Studies

In January and March I preached through the book of **First John** as well as on the following topics: **Why Did Christ Have to Die (Rom. 5:6-11)** / **The Cup that Jesus Drank** / **"Until He Comes"** / **Godliness Doesn't Come By Accident!** The first three topics were geared toward helping us to understand Christ's sacrifice better and to aid in our respect of and the manner we partake the Lord's Supper. While in the States I **reported on the work in Norway** and preached on **being honest from beginning to end of our spiritual journey**.

On Sundays we have begun a study of **I Corinthians** and on Wednesdays we have begun **Jeremiah**.

There was soo much snow that the neighborhood hired people to shovel it off of our roofs!



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Other Updates

Hanna did really well on the trip. We were a little worried as to how she would be but we were pleasantly surprised. She continues to grow and remain healthy (besides a little cold). Please send up a prayer for God to grant us wisdom in raising her.

The trip to the States was wonderful. We were able to visit the congregations we did not visit last summer as well as visit family. We are very grateful to everyone who kept us while we were there. You made the trip very comfortable and inexpensive!

Please keep us in your thoughts and prayers concerning the big changes coming up for us. We hope to find a congregation that we can serve and help grow in Christ. We also hope that we can find a congregation that can help us and teach us. Pray that wherever we go, it will be in the best interest of God's kingdom. Thanks! We love you.

Of apostles and preachers
Paul said, "let a man regard us
in this manner, as servants of
Christ and stewards of the
mysteries of God."

(1 Cor. 4:1)

Questions?

As always, if there are any questions, comments, or concerns about us or the work here, please contact us using the information on the left side of this page.

**"The Aim of Our
Charge Is Love"
- 1 Tim. 1:5**