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We are so grateful for a rainy evening today since it helps cool things off so much. It's beautiful to sleep with the windows open and feel the breeze! We got

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represented this morning!! So cool! We hope and pray that your Sabbath was equally restful and beautiful and that you were able to feel fully satisfied in the Lord today!

Prayer Requests

Here are our quick, specific prayer requests for August 13, 2017:

- Today at church we met some German missionaries who run a Christian camp in a neighboring town. They often attend our church when they're not in the middle of camp-season. Eber, the German missionary, told us about a young couple from Canada working on their team with two daughters the same age as our kids. He gave us their contact information so hopefully we can connect with them, most especially for Elin's sake. Please pray that this might be a good connection for her and for us and that we can encourage one another in the work God has called us to.
- The normals - my hips, language, visas, a pastor for the church, etc

Who We Met

So technically we met the Romanian elders of the church two years ago on our vision trip. Don and Râzvan have been faithfully leading the church as elders for many years now, along with their respective wives, Monica and Cami. Cami and Râzvan also have two girls.

We can't go into much detail, but we would like you to know that they are having an incredibly difficult season of life right now that doesn't seem to be ending. There is much uncertainty and fear - and yet quiet trusting in the Lord that is so encouraging and convicting to us. Our whole team is convinced that Satan is trying everything he can to hurt their lives and the life of the church. And even while Don and Râzvan and their families are trusting in our sovereign Father, there isn't anything good about this situation and it is a constant struggle for them.

We have been going through the Psalms during our family mealtime devotions and so many of David's words strike us as we try to bear the burdens of our brothers here in Christ. We would be grateful for your prayers on their behalf, as well. Pray for injustice to be made right, for strength for each of them, for the

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"Arise, Lord! Lift up your hand, O God.
Do not forget the helpless.
Why does the wicked mm revile God?
Why does he say to himself,
"He won't call me to account"?
But you, O God, do see trouble and grief;
you consider it to take it in hand.
The victim commits himself to you;
you are the helper of the fatherless.
Break the arm of the wicked and evil man;
call him to account for his wickedness
that would not be found out.

The Lord is King for ever and ever;
the nations will perish from his land.
You hear, O Lord, the desire of the afflicted;
you encourage them, and you listen to their cry,
defending the fatherless and the oppressed,
in order that man, who is of the earth, may terrify no more."
-Psalm 10:12-18

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