

## Peace be with you, Prayer Warriors!



We are overjoyed to have the opportunity to write to you again! This past week, the demolition of our old church building took place! We had been engaged in a battle for four months. The property we purchased had an unstable house on it, and for four months, they tried to delay the demolition. We were in the midst of a spiritual battle. But through your prayers, we finally achieved victory! Seeing the demolition take place filled us with the joy of knowing that God is powerfully bringing our dreams to life!

What began as a small office in a tiny shop has now grown into a church that is building a permanent place, a beacon of light for the Gospel! This is the fruit of a church that is growing and transforming! These are the footsteps of revival in Turkey! Yet, beyond the construction of a physical building, there is something even more significant—our church no longer fits within our three-story space! This is what excites and gives us hope for revival!

In this letter, I want to share about Abdullah. Unfortunately, we don't have a photo of him yet, so I can't share one with you. Abdullah came to our church a few months ago. After a Sunday service, we sat down for tea and talked about the Gospel. He accepted what Christ had done, but he still needed to take a step of faith. After that week, we didn't see each other for a while. But last week, he came back—and this time, he made the decision to believe! I saw him as more courageous and determined than before. However, his situation is challenging because his father is a judge. Last night, he shared his faith with his mother, and she reacted negatively. He then sent me a long message, saying, "Even if my family leaves me, I know you will be my family." I responded by reminding him that in Christ, we are truly a family. Today, we will meet face to face. May God raise up and strengthen more bold and committed believers like Abdullah in Turkey!



## Prayer Requests

**Church Building Construction:** We have decided to build our church in two phases. In the first phase, we will complete the columns, beams, and walls. Later, we will begin the interior work. The cost to complete this first phase is \$106,000. By God's grace, we have already raised about half of this amount, and now we are praying for the remaining \$56,000. Once we have the full amount, we will begin construction, which will take approximately 45 days. This phase must be completed all at once because the building's framework must be erected in one go. We fully trust that God will provide abundantly!

**Youth Ministry:** Our youth meetings are growing! This past week, we had 20 young people attend! Even non-believers have started joining us, and we thank God for this opportunity. May this time be a season where young people draw closer to God and experience true transformation. Berivan is leading the youth ministry—may the Lord grant her wisdom and guidance.

**Health:** This week, I have been struggling with a severe throat infection. Even swallowing takes extra energy. I am praying for full healing so I can be back on my feet soon!

**Baptism Service:** We are excited for our upcoming baptism service on March 16! Each year, we hold two or three baptism services, and we baptize those who are ready in each season. In this upcoming service, we will baptize three new brothers and sisters: Yıldırım, Utku, and Nisa. Yıldırım and Utku, in

particular, have been facing intense spiritual attacks. They are determined to be baptized and are aware of the enemy's schemes. Pray that the Lord strengthens them and grants them victory in this season!

**Workers Needs:** Our church is expanding! This is God's marvelous work! However, as the church grows, our workload has also increased significantly. We now need full-time workers to serve alongside us. We have believers who are growing and maturing in their faith, and we desire to discern God's will in this area. We seek to take wise steps so that our church grows in a healthy way and that we can serve effectively without being overwhelmed.

**Thank you for standing with us in prayer! Your intercession and support are a great blessing for the spread of the Gospel in Turkey!**

**With love and blessings,**

