

# swedenbound



## Prayer Requests:

- \* The ministries of Smålands Baptistförsamling—for growth, outreach and encouragement
- \* Christmas Program outreach: "From Christmas to the Cross"—brochures to mailboxes, online outreach, cds, etc. Please pray for the message of the Gospel to be clear and that people would come to Christ!
- \* If you would like to listen to our Christmas program, please visit [sbforsamling.se/radioteater](http://sbforsamling.se/radioteater)
- \* Ladies Bible studies
- \* Neighborhood outreach—we have focused on more one-on-one opportunities now that we have lost access to our meeting place. Continue to pray for M and S!
- \* An important unspoken request. Please pray! (Praising the Lord—He is already working in this situation!)



## Riley's Corner

Hej Friends!

I hope you are having a fun day! I have been enjoying the cold and the snow that we have had! :) I think my human thinks I'm crazy, though, as I really enjoy just lying outside on our

Dear Praying Friends,  
Merry Christmas! I hope you are all doing well and enjoying time with family and friends as we move into the Christmas season.

Thank you for your prayers concerning our Christmas radio theater program. I praise the Lord that we were able to get it all finished in time! We are now working on getting it into the hands of as many people as possible, so please continue to pray as we work on distributing it along with our Christmas tract/brochures during these next couple of weeks!

I had the privilege of playing my saxophone at the invitation of a friend (and her bakery) at a Christmas market this past weekend. We were able to share a number of brochures and CDs of "Från juletiden till korsets stam" (From Christmas to the Cross) during that time. I am also able to keep CDs and

brochures available for free at her bakery's check-out throughout the month of December. Please pray that people will continue to take them.

A man in our church has received positive feedback from a couple of co-workers regarding the Christmas program. These individuals are not saved, but have been open and interested to talk in recent days.

Please pray that the Lord

faithfulness—not just in your giving, but in your prayers as well.

God is doing a work, though at times it seems a slow process. But He continues to show His provision and care.

I know that life is far from easy much of the time, but God is so faithful throughout each trial and struggle.

This Christmas, I'm so thankful for Emmanuel,

"God with us." I'm so thankful for God's constant presence in my life.

Again, I wish you all a Merry Christmas!

May we never lose sight of the reason we celebrate this time of year!

*May God be glorified!*

God bless in your continued service to Him!

For Christ Alone,  
Melissa Carlson  
Jer. 32:27



would do a work in their hearts!

Thank you so much again for your prayers and support and encouragements. I'm so thankful for each of you. You are definitely a blessing in my life!

I couldn't be here in Sweden if it weren't for your

balcony in the snow—even when the night when it was only 5 degrees (Fahrenheit) outside! I didn't want to go inside. I like it cold!

Snow is just the best! It was fun getting to help my human while she played her saxophone outside in snow at the Christmas market. My job was just to

be cute and let the kids pet me! I think I did a good job! I also looked super handsome in my special Christmas tie.

Anyway, have a super wonderful Christmas!

Your Pal,

Riley

Riley helping at the Christmas market!

