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The Polar Paper

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Church Growth

~ Our church has recently taken some tremendous steps forward. Patrick and Victoria are currently out of the country, visiting the U.S., and we ask for your prayers as their hearts and minds remain focused on the ministry in Iceland. In the past, our Icelandic outreach would pause during their absence. However, this time, our small church plant stood strong. Instead of



shutting down, our small but committed congregation stepped up. On September 15, our dedicated members came together, independently prepared lessons, and ran the entire Sunday program without Patrick and Victoria's presence. I am immensely proud of how our small church plant rose to the occasion. <u>Please pray</u> for our sweet church as we grow in our ability to serve and minister to the Icelandic people.

Social Gap



~ A few weeks ago, one of our regular bus kids brought a friend to church for the first time. As part of our outreach, we make a point to visit the homes of all first-time guests. When I arrived at the home, I knocked on the door and was greeted by the child's mother. I explained that her child had been invited by one of our bus kids and was more than welcome to attend again. However, the mother looked at me skeptically and replied, "That isn't our church."

Having grown up in Iceland, I understood what she meant. She was hesitant about our ministry because we are not part of the state church — we are different. This encounter reminded me of the cultural gap that still exists between Icelandic society and the Gospel. After more than twenty-five years of ministry, Patrick and Victoria Weimer have seen progress. However, much work remains. <u>Please pray</u> that God would continue to break down the barriers that prevent Icelanders from experiencing the love of Christ.

Family Prayers

~ Phyllis continues to balance her university studies, part-time work, and faithful service in the ministry roles for which she has volunteered. I spend every day at the church, planning lessons, cleaning the building, printing flyers, staying in touch with church members, and making visits. In addition, I am actively reaching out to churches for support. While I've received some feedback, there is still much to be done. <u>Please pray</u> that God would grant us the strength and wisdom to sustain our current ministries and pursue His plan for the future.



Yours in Christ, William and Phyllis Weimer

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