

Hailey's Happenings

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Hey guys! After 2 months of being home, I am finally back in the Desh. As much as I miss all my friends and family (as well as the comforts of home), I know there is much work to be done here. Here are some updates as to what is going on:

School

God answered our prayers in providing the staff we need for this upcoming school year. The only downside is we still have a teacher stuck in the states because he is awaiting his visa (pretty sure he will get here this week... Lord willing!). However, there have been a number of gracious people who have stepped in to get our school rolling.

This year has been crazy in terms of all the new staff. As I have mentioned before, there were only two primary teachers who stayed for this year, making me the main "go-to" gal if anyone has a question about teaching or about Grace in general. This is definitely not what I was expecting, having only one year of teaching experience behind me. HELP ME! On a good note, the new teachers and the new principal are lovely and are really people after God's own heart, so I am excited to work with them more.

The primary school has grown quite significantly in numbers for this school year, and I'm seeing many MK's (Missionary Kids) at Grace. This can only mean that agencies are sending people back!! YAYYY for more workers for the harvest!

My class is at a grand total of 15, 3 girls and 12 boys. They are quite a lively bunch, and I'm excited to see growth in them and in my teaching this year. In Biblical studies, we just completed a lesson on Abraham, which is perfect timing because Eid al-Adha is coming up this weekend. Pray that these stories would grab hold of their heart and point them to the unity of the Bible.



John Study

I was lucky enough to see my Muslim girls this weekend! We went out on a nice boat ride and talked about the sermon we had heard just hours before. It was discussing the death of Jesus Christ. One detail of the sermon that really struck me was that Joseph and Nicodemus' names were completely erased from the Sanhedrin because of their affiliation with Jesus. They gave up who they were to follow Him.

In BDesh, Christians are seen as lower class. These girls are slum girls, so the fact that they are labeled "Muslim" might be the only thing giving them some sort of "class" in this country. I had to ask. I asked that if they continue reading the Bible and find out the truth about Christ, would they give up who they were to follow Him? Would they be like Joseph and Nicodemus?

They responded with, "Of course we would, but we don't think it's all true. Maybe one day."

Please pray for that day.



J-Roo

I could not be happier to see this joyful woman. I am a tiny bit freaked out that in a year she will be leaving and going to a university in the UK. Because of that, we are kicking up the intensity and really digging in during our one on ones! Please continue to lift J-Roo up in prayer that she will grow in her knowledge and love of our King. Also, she has a lot of hard classes this semester, so pray that God would multiply her time and she would be able to retain the information that she needs to succeed.

Prayer Requests:

- I have yet to see Dee and her family since I've been back, primarily because we are both very busy. Please pray that I am able to see her soon. I was able to have a few conversations with her and, within the last month, has decided to move back in with her husband.
- Pray for energy and motivation in teaching
- Pray that all of our teachers arrive here shortly and are able to get into the swing of things fast.
- Pray for all the flooding in Bangladesh. The villages are in dire shape and many have already died. Pray that the water regresses quickly and that people are able to get the supplies they need to survive.

Thank you all for your prayers and encouragement that enable me to be here doing what God has called me to do! Love you all!