



Gage & Aleah GILBERT MISSIONARIES TO Greenland

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Dear Praying Friends,

Summer is finally here and so are the mosquitoes! With the average temperature still hovering in the low forties, we greatly enjoy the sunny and almost fifty degree days.



SETTLING IN

We have slowly become more settled here. The Lord has been answering several of our prayers in this regard. First, our shipping container arrived May fourth! Due to the weekend and then some paperwork issues, it took a week to get our container out of port. But considering that it arrived much earlier than we expected and knowing that other missionaries have had to wait months to get their container out of port, we are very thankful! Second, right after we sent out our last prayer letter, we were able to finalize the details of our bank account. Granted, we still had to wait another week or so to acquire our debit card so we could actually use the bank account, but we were glad to have that settled.

Lastly, two weeks ago we applied for our Greenlandic drivers licenses! We had originally be told that we would have to take a driving test before we could apply,

and in the meantime we were allowed to drive for three months with our American license. Two months had passed without contact with the driving instructor, leading us to fear we would soon lose our driving rights. But God was working. We finally got connected and were told we did not need to take the test and could just go and apply for the licenses.

GREENLAND FACTS

When Greenlanders want to celebrate something, they hold a Kaffemik. Kaffemiks are very similar to the “open house” concept. The host prepares a lot of food and the guests come and go throughout the day staying only a short while. Decorations usually include their flag and its colors.

WHEN OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

We were told by the Shulls that some men would be coming to do maintenance work on the house. About two weeks later, we very unexpectedly got a knock on the door. There stood two men: a middle aged Greenlander and a young Dane. Through the course of normal conversation, Gage shared that we were here as Baptist missionaries. When the young Dane heard this, he began asking many questions that led to a nearly hour long conversation. He openly admitted to believing that there was a God but was confused and unsure as to who He is. At the end of the conversation, he expressed interest in staying in contact and coming to church. The Greenlander was less open to talk but did express some curiosity. Two Sundays later the young

Dane came to church and brought his girlfriend. Gage was able to again clearly give the Gospel and answer questions. He also gave the young Dane a Bible since he expressed much interest in reading it for himself. A couple weeks ago, he called Gage while at work saying that his coworker, the Greenlander, wanted to know if he was also invited to the Baptist church and that if he was, he would come with the young Dane. Gage assured them that he was welcome to come. Please pray for these men and the Dane’s girlfriend that they would come to church, that their eyes would be opened to the Truth, and that they would accept Jesus Christ as their personal Savior.

PRAISES & PRAYER REQUESTS

- **Praise:** Container **arrived** safe and sound
- **Praise:** Set up **bank account** and applied for driver **licenses**
- **Praise:** witnessing **opportunities**
- **Pray:** For long term **housing** in Greenland
- **Pray:** For **salvation** of the Young Dane, his girlfriend, and the Greenlander
- **Pray:** For the Shull’s **furlough**; for us in **ministry** here

Please continue to pray also that God would provide housing for us. We know God is working and that His timing is best. Our prayer is that God would provide something by the time the Shulls return in September.

We thank God for your faithfulness to Him and to us in your prayers and financial support.

In Christ,
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