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Please Pray!

- We still lack \$5,000 in monthly support in order to return to Europe. Please pray that God brings together the needed resources.
- In the UK there is a rising militant secularism that attacks faith in any form. Please pray that freedom and liberty triumph over exclusionism.
- We will be locating in Bristol in the western United Kingdom. Please join us in praying for God's direction to the places, people and understanding we will need to be effective.
- Thanks so much for your prayers and support.

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Why Urban?

Cities are where the people are.

The world is urbanizing as never before. In 1800, only 3% of the world's population lived in urban areas. Since 2008, more than 50% of the world's population is urban *and the percentage keeps going up.*

While 80% of Americans live in urban areas, many European countries have higher urbanization percentages. So, if we are going to reach people, we must reach cities. Cities can & must be reached.

What does God think about cities?

He cared enough to send Jonah to Ninevah and called it "that great city." [cf. Jonah 1:2]. Jesus wept over Jerusalem as he approached it [cf. Luke 19:41] Paul clearly

went city to city [Philippi, Thessalonica, Athens, Corinth, etc].

Enough said?

[NOTE: For more information, Google [What is God's Urban Mission?](#) by Tim Keller]



Family Update

Our son, Seth, who is 31 years old, had a heart attack last July. God was merciful and Seth pulled through. Six weeks later he became a father. Harper Luna Mathison was born on August 31, 2011. Here is Seth, Harper and Craig's mom (who just turned 90) together.

