

# In retrospect

The challenge of re-evangelizing Sweden - Gospel training & discipleship ministries

## TRANSITION IS NOT AN EASY THING

### LOOKING BACK

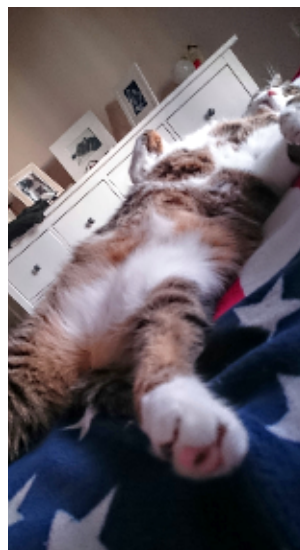
After one year in Sweden we can say that being in transition is not an easy thing. In the beginning everything feels new and

exciting being back in Sweden after 13 years of ministry in Serbia, it's like a honeymoon all over again. So many things that we have missed from home, such as food, traditions, family and friends. However it does not take long before an uneasy feeling pops up - we miss our dear

Serbian friends, specially as we know they are left behind in the missionary country and continue to live hard life there. We do Skype with them on a regular basis, and will visit them to encourage them to stand firm and trust the Lord, but it is just not the same being there with them. We realize that being a missionary also involve leaving dear people behind and meeting new wherever you go. But that does not mean that it's pain free.



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Obi-Wan Kenobi enjoying his new life in Sweden

### NEW MISSION

Returning to Sweden did not meant going home to our home town on est coast (where our family are), but rather to move to east coast and to new cities (Stockholm and Uppsala) which are now our new mission areas. As we have never lived here and did not know the people here, it meant start all over again. We were warmly welcomed in the Emmaus Church in Åkersberga, Stockholm where we were called to serve and Chris specifically was called to be a church planter. Things have moved quickly in Emmaus church and in less than a year we have a registered Church, a leadership team, a church board, and Sunday services. We have also as a registered

church received our first member. We even managed to have our first little outreach for children and parents. Furthermore, we have weekly bible study for women and prayer meeting. The team working in the church is fantastic, lots of good gifts and committed people. It is such a blessing! We have also been able to start a bible study group in Uppsala (where we live). Chris is meeting up for one to one in Stockholm City with couple of guys on a weekly basis. There still lots



of things to do and we are looking forward to 2016, as we pray and hope reach out to new people. biggest down side for now is that we do not live in the place where the church is (we live an hour away in another city), which makes it harder for us to reach out to the local community. And we are still looking for an appropriate living place, something very important to pray about. But the same time we are grateful to our heavenly Father for his help and provision throughout the years. We are also grateful to you for all your prayers and support through this transition.

**THANK YOU  
FOR  
FAITHFULLY  
PRAYING,  
SUPPORTING  
AND GIVING.**

## PRAYING POINTS

- Pray for our friends in Serbia, that they will continue to grow in Christ and that they will see growth in the ministry and more churches planted.
- Pray for the Emmaus church in Åkersberga, that we can reach out to the local community
- Pray also for the bible study group in Uppsala
- Pray for the people we meet in Stockholm City, that as we do one to one it will bear fruit.

*We wish you from our hearts a happy Christmas  
and a happy blessed New year.*



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