

The Manley Family

September 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Psalmist David says, “O taste and see that the Lord is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.” Thank God we have trusted! Thank God we have tasted! And thank God we have truly seen how GOOD the Lord is! “Is” is not in past tense, nor is it an event that will take place later. He IS good! He is always good! Thank God for Christ! He is SO good, its overwhelming!!!!

The Homefront

We must apologize for the time between our prayer letters since our last update. As you know, in the early part of the summer we were forced to move from our home. We began to seek God for help to find a home during such a busy tourist season. We reached out to all of you and asked you to join with us in prayer. The Lord not only provided the perfect home for us, he exceeded and did above and beyond what we all could ever ask or think. The Lord answered every prayer and has blessed us so much more.

Included in those blessings, is a 10ft x 45ft garage attached to our new home, that we will be using to store Albanian bibles and gospel literature. Adjacent to the house is also a vacant lot, that we are praying we could have future tent meetings on. Our neighborhood is full of children and families. We are praying that the Lord would use us to reach them all for the glory of God. We are so thankful for each of you calling out to God on behalf of our need.

Our girls are still finishing up their school year from last year. It was very difficult to continue their lessons during our move this summer. But they should finish during mid-September and start the new school year this year around the first of October. Please pray that the Lord would bless their new school year.

Kisha Baptiste Iliria

Our church in the last few months has grown deeper in faith and in service. We are continuing our study through the book of James! Just this month we have made it to chapter 3! The Lord has challenged our hearts in a very convicting way through these studies. During this past quarter, we also finished our studies on Sunday nights in “The Influences of Satan and the World”.

This series of studies has laid the foundation to a new set of studies we have entered in to, which we have named “Do You Really Believe Your Bible?”. In these studies we will speak of major topics throughout the Bible that the world tries to teach us aren’t true. We will be taking the Bible word for word, starting from our theme verse, which is Genesis 1:1. The Bible says that “Every word of God is true...”. We are so excited for what the Lord will show us in these new studies together.

Also, we are thankful that the Lord has given us additional help within the church in our translations in preaching. Arnold, a young preacher within our church, has been helping us translate the messages each service. It has been amazing to watch what the Lord continues to do in this young man’s life and how the Lord is using him.

It has been a joy to preach with him, as God has also called him to preach. As I preach, he “gets in there” and preaches with me! I am anxious to see how the Lord will use him in this new role in the church! Please pray for him that the Lord would help him each and every service!

The Ministry

During the past three months, several of our members of the church have mentioned a strong burden that the Lord has put on their hearts. Many years ago, in the early 90's, communism in Albania fell and missionaries were let into the country in abundance. During that time, many people were saved all over the country. But in the late 90's, Albania was ravaged by war, and many missionaries left during that time. The Albanians who were saved, no longer had a church to go to, or started their own in-home meetings together. But the sad reality is, most of them have not been to church since then.

Some of our church members were some of these that were saved during those times. They know many people throughout the city of Vlora, that fit into the category that we just mentioned. Our church has been praying for three months of what the Lord would have us to do to reach out to these people. And the Lord laid on our hearts for an evangelical outreach/meeting.

We will not only "target" this specific group of people, but also those who were once faithful in our church that we have not seen in some time, and those friends and family members that we have been witnessing to for so long.

Our dear friend, Brother Jared Graham, Pastor of Mountain View Baptist Church of Albermarle, North Carolina, reached out to us just a few weeks ago and said that the Lord laid it heavy on his heart to visit us in Albania and just be a help to us in any way possible, without knowing prior about this heavy burden that was on our hearts.

Brother Graham will be coming towards the last part of September - early October, to help us with this meeting. Please pray for this meeting. We are begging the Lord to use us, so that he could be seen through our little church, as a light that he has placed here in Vlora, Albania. If you feel led to support or help us with this meeting, please reach out to us by any of the means you will find in the margin of this letter.

Prayer Requests in Closing

Please continue to pray for Kisha Baptiste Iliria and Missions to Albania.

We believe with all that is in us, that God is getting ready to "take us higher" than ever before in our ministry. With this, comes many unforeseen attacks from the enemy and the world around us. We ask that you would keep us in prayer.

Please pray for the Lord to use us mightily, in ways that are unspeakable. Our desire is that the Lord would give us the city of Vlora, for the glory of the dear Lamb of God, which was slain before the foundation of the world. Pray for this meeting that the Lord has orchestrated by his own hands. We need the Lord's help.

And please pray that the Lord would protect our family from the fiery darts of the enemy, as we try to reach Vlora, and all of Albania with the precious gospel of Christ. God bless you. We are eternally thankful for you all.

**May God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again,
The Manley Family**

How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? Romans 10:14

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