BEING Sold "Come and follow me." Then

Jesus said, "Come and follow me." Then He sent His followers out into the world.



Our Hope

Our hope is to start a new fellowship in Backa that reflects God's kingdom in its beauty and diversity where people can grow as Jesus followers. We long to do so in openness with other churches in Backa, so that we can proclaim and demonstrate God's whole Gospel to His creation.

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Fun ways God is moving!

- During the Annual Meeting on Feb 26th Fiskebäck's Missions Church (FMK) has agreed to be the mother church to the church plant. Fiskebäck is supportive and excited for what is to come.
- We have met with the leaders of neighboring churches in Backa. It was encouraging to hear their excitement about sharing the Gospel.
 Since our last letter, a few others have joined and showed interest in the core-team. God is calling people to the fields...keep praying.
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What's next?

Prayer Requests

- Pray that God will <u>continue</u> to send workers to His field, as we form the core-group.
- Wisdom for what to do and what not to do, with all the great ideas for ministry.
- Pray for Aaron's meeting with Covenant World Mission in Chicago on March 13th.
- Praise God for the commitment, which Fiskebäck Missions Church has done.

- Prayer Days for Backa. You are welcome to meet with us or to pray on your own: March 20th, April 2nd, April 19th, May 7th, May 22nd.
- Peter Svanberg from the Swedish Mission Church— Church Planting Office will be preaching at Fiskebäck March 6th at 11.00 and then talking about church planting in the Swedish Missions Church during the coffee time after the service.
- Continue to develop DNA-groups

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Fiskebäck Missionskyrka is taking steps to be a church without walls.

On Saturday, Feb 26th Fiskebäcks Missions Church voted 'yes' to being the mother church of the new church plan in Backa. We really want to thank Fiskebäck for their trust and pray that we can respond to this trust as God desires. It will be very exciting to see where God will lead us in this work, and we are glad that Fiskebäck wants to be a part of the journey.



What does a DNA-Group include?

Discipleship — as people who desire to grow deeper in faith we acknowledge that it takes some effort on our part to learn why and how we follow Jesus. Discipleship is not just for believers but for anyone who wants to learn more about being a "Jesus Follower."

Nurture — living life alone can be difficult, that is why we need others who are near us and care for us. "Carrying one another's burdens" in practical matters as well as in prayer.

Accountability — "As iron sharpens iron" so also do we need others to keep us responsible for living out the Christian faith. We might not always like what we hear, but we are to challenge one another just as much as we encourage one another.

We have currently started two DNA-groups; the small intimate groups, which we want as the core of the new church plant. These groups are focused on living out the Christian faith in practical ways. This idea came from our visit to the Michael Frost conference in Stockholm. Through these groups we hope to bless people in different ways, eat with others, listen to the Holy Spirit, learn the ways of Jesus, and live as sent people by Jesus into the world.

Milen Girma, a member in the core-group says, "I am in the DNA-group because I believe that it will help me with my spiritual growth. And at the same time I can build close friendships with people that I trust. It's also fun to hang out, eat, and pray together. It is comforting know that two people are

sitting there listening to me and praying for me. And also for me to be trusted enough by others that they share from their lives; helps me not to be so involved with my life that I forget my friends. I love it."

