

A young child, likely a toddler, is sitting up and smiling at the camera. They are wearing a grey knit hat with earflaps and a grey knit sweater over a blue shirt. They are holding a newborn baby who is sleeping peacefully. The baby is wearing a grey knit hat and a blue long-sleeved shirt, and is wrapped in a cream-colored, textured blanket. The background consists of a light-colored, tufted surface and several pillows with floral and script patterns. The overall mood is warm and affectionate.

**Happy Holidays &
Blessed New Year!**

Dear friends,

We want to take this opportunity to send you a little greeting from our family to yours. As 2016 is ending and a New Year is upon us it is a great time to look back and thank God for His guidance and care.

2016 began with a long journey to Australia & New Zealand, where we spent the month of January. A busy schedule of preaching and teaching kept us going, but we were also able to enjoy a few nature outings. Elias loved some of the Australian birds he saw, and I was happy to take my family up to Mount Thomas on the South Island of New Zealand. This is a place my parents took me and my siblings when we were young.

One of the highlights of our trip was meeting some of the viewers of Firstlight TV (Adventist TV broadcasting station in New Zealand). A conference was arranged (by Autumn Leaves ministry) where speakers and viewers could meet. I remember especially a young lady, who had been watching the programs for quite some time, but now met with Adventists for the very first time. She expressed such a joy and enthusiasm for the Word of God!



Back in Bergen, Norway, we launched into an evangelistic series that ran throughout the month of March. Church members were very supportive and we had a great team that made the event a special experience for our visitors. Several of our visitors have continued to attend church and have become friends over time. Following up the series, we have had some great Bible studies with individuals and the end of the series was marked by a baptism. There is no greater joy than to baptize a person, seeing the joy in receiving a new life in Christ!

Besides these high moments, there are the daily routines and challenges that come with being a pastor family. But through the ups and downs, Jesus is teaching us valu-

able lessons for life. After having been in Bergen for a year, I was offered another one year contract till summer 2017, which we accepted. Life in Bergen has been busy with pastoral visits, Bible studies, preaching, evangelistic outreach projects, and quite a bit of administration that goes along with leading a large congregation.

Elias always looks forward to Sabbath, when he can attend Sabbath school with the other children. It's a highlight for him. He also enjoys outdoor activities, reading, drawing, music and visiting the Aquarium with all the colourful fish.

During the summer, we left Bergen for some weeks travelling to a few different countries for preaching appointments. In the end of July we organized our yearly Living Water camp meeting with a record of 250 people attending. Our days were filled with great fellowship and deep spiritual worship. Mark your calendar for Living Water summer camp 2017: July 4-9 – and follow along on our webpage for updates! Registration will open in the beginning of 2017.

During the fall months, we launched into a new sequence of cooking courses and evangelistic meetings in Bergen. Many who attended the first series came back, along with some new faces. This time we dived into the prophetic books of Daniel and Revelation, which are so relevant for our time. The series was called “Another Kingdom” as we contrasted the kingdoms of this world with Christ’s everlasting kingdom. The prophecies lend themselves to uplift and portray the character of Jesus in a way that we will want Him above anything else.



The apostle Paul describes how all creation is waiting in birth pangs for the final deliverance – the second coming of Jesus Christ, ushering in another kingdom. This picture has become very vivid for us as we have just gone through a birth experience. The deliverance of a new life, after hours of intense pain, is something indescribable! We are very thankful for another healthy and beautiful baby boy. Enoch entered the world on December 14, 9:13 pm. He weighed 3.255 gram and was 52 cm long. Elias has warmly welcomed his little brother, and shows him much affection. We are looking forward to what 2017 has in store for us as a family of four, and appreciate your prayers for the ministry the Lord has given us.

We want to wish you a very blessed holiday season and a Spirit filled New Year!

Blessings,

Daniel & Silvia & Elias & Enoch

Living Water Ministry, Daniel & Silvia Pel | Fossane 31, 5132 Nyborg | D: 413 61 490,
S: 930 20 036 | daniel.livingwater@gmail.com, silviapel.livingwater@gmail.com

Check out our webpage for new sermons and more info about Living Water summercamp 2017:

www.livingwater.no

