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### The Pentecostals of Cyprus (Larnaca)

God has been moving in our services and weekly prayer gatherings! The healing power of God is at work touching lives physically and emotionally. The promise of Isaiah 61:1 is being fulfilled.



Discipleship is an ongoing journey of walking alongside others to encourage growth in all areas of life. It is a blessing to teach the congregation each Sunday morning during Sunday School sessions and co-lead a weekly live devotional series titled "What Happens When We Say Yes to God?"





As we travel to various villages and cities, including entering the Turkish-occupied northern region of Cyprus, we are praying fervently for God to open new doors, deepen relationships with existing contacts, and ignite a spiritual awakening across the island. We believe the enemy's strongholds over this nation will be broken and cast out through unified prayer! In Jesus Name!

### The Culture

Since my arrivval on December 30, 2024, I have immersed myself in exploring the island's rich and diverse culture under the guidance of our missionaries, Rev. Stephan and Debra Summers.

This journey has encompassed learning various aspects, including historical, religious, familial, and economic traditions. The predominant religion in Cyprus is Greek Orthodox along with Islam, Paganism and other religious beliefs interwoven into daily life. Understanding these cultural underpinnings is essential building relationships meaningful both Cypriots and with internationals.

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### Life as an AlMer

#### Availability, Adaptability, and Attitude



An AlMer's life requires adaptability, from learning to drive on the opposite side of the road to figuring out which buttons control various appliances. Even simple tasks of an unfamiliar style washer and knowing how to set the timer to prevent a two-hour wash cycle (yes, that really happened!) require flexibility and a sense of humor. Adapting to a new language,, navigating markets and stores, trying unfamiliar cuisines, and developing sensitivity when meeting local Cypriots, have all been part of this learning experience.

Each country and missionary offers unique opportunities for ministry in which an AIMer can serve. Since arriving, being available to serve wherever needed included dedicating time to work with the Summers to thoroughly clean the church, reorganize cupboards, storage areas, and the kitchen, shop for necessary supplies, set up for fellowship gatherings, and much more. What a joy to be available and serve God's mission!





Attitude during all these changes is key to living out God's purpose and calling in having the opportunity to be a small part of "Pentecost every day!"

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