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Athens, Greece Steps Mediterranean

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Our time in Greece began with three weeks, around 70 hours, of intensive apostolic training. Each session was designed to challenge, stretch, and equip us both personally and spiritually with the necessary tools to be more effective Christians in every mission field, whether in Greece, our local community, our workplace, etc.

Training

We talked a lot about submission throughout this time and coupled with that was a reminder of a word that has followed me for years... obedience. God has called each of us to hear Him and to obey His voice; to follow His lead; to surrender ourselves to His will. We are each endeavoring to do just that.





We spent a lot of time in fellowship with the youth from The Crossroads Athens; playing games,

praying and worshipping together, and eventually working alongside one another for three full days of VBS. Over 60 children attended, with many of them being

first-time visitors! It was a powerful reminder that EVERY member of the body of Christ is valuable, from the little children to the kitchen staff to the pastor and everyone in between.



Special Events & Projects



SUNSET WORSHIP ON MARS HILL

As the sun set on Athens, we worshipped the Lord in song and spoke love and encouragement over all that sat on Mars Hill. It was a powerful night. Peace was tangible, and many were drawn to our group. Contacts were made, and lives were absolutely blessed, including each of ours. It's a night we won't quickly forget.

Toward the end of our time in Greece, we had a serve day. We split into two groups: one stayed at Crossroads to do a small paint job and some clean up, while the others wrapped water bottles in a church label and then went to hand them out near the Metro. I am grateful to have been able to provide the church with designs for these labels, new business cards, invitations, and a new sign for their Bible School edifice while I was there.



TESTIMONIES



During our time in Greece, we saw 17 people receive the gift of the Holy Ghost, 15 of whom were children during VBS. We also saw 1 adult and 2 young people baptized in Jesus' Name. The Morenos son, Judah (pictured) was one of the children filled and baptized during our VBS weekend!

SIGHTSEEING & FELLOWSHIP



We were incredibly blessed to visit some biblical, historical, and altogether beautiful sights during our time in Greece. Though each new site was breathtaking, the experiences were enhanced by the fellowship we were able to share at each one. What a privilege it has been to walk this missions journey with this group of people, our instructors, the missionaries, and everyone we have met along the way!

