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## Prayer Points:

> Please pray for our growing family and ministry, for God's continued provision and protection.

> Please pray for refugees in desperate conditions - both their physical and spiritual needs.

> Pray for the safety of refugees who come to Christ, and their maturing in both faith and service.

> Pray for the unity, direction, and boldness of our ministry team in Athens.

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## THE SANNER FAMILY

*Brett, Kristin*

*Sofia & Emma*

*Serving Christ in the refugee  
community of Athens, Greece*



## Why Athens?

A cultural, continental, and religious crossroads, Athens provides a unique opportunity to join God's work among the nations. Greece hosts nearly **one million refugees and immigrants**, many from nations with little or no Christian witness: Afghanistan, Iraqi, Iran, Palestine, Sudan, and Somalia, to name a few.

Partnering with local and international churches, "**Helping Hands**" - a Greek-registered non-profit organization - seeks to share the love of Jesus with refugees in Greece. It is our desire that every refugee have an opportunity to experience Christ's love in both word and deed.

## Our Family

Brett & Kristin met during their senior year at North Park University, and married two years later (2005). Before coming to Greece, Kristin had been an elementary school teacher, while

Brett worked at an inner-city ministry and completed his seminary training (M.Div.). They came to Greece in July of 2007, and have since made two adorable additions to the family: Sofia (1/8/2008) and Emma (12/2/2009).



## Our Vision

The vision of our ministry is to see the lives of refugees *transformed by Jesus*: "to plant gospel **seeds** in the lives of refugees across Greece that take **root** and bear the **fruit** of life transformation in Jesus Christ." We seek to share Christ through acts of **gospel demonstration** (e.g. feeding, clothing, and shelter ministries) and words of **gospel proclamation** (e.g. preaching, teaching, and discipleship ministries).

*God is at work in Athens.* Many refugees hear the gospel and meet a practicing Christian for the first time. New disciples are being baptized.

**Lives are being changed!** And as these new believers leave Athens (whether they continue into Europe or return to their home countries), they take the gospel with them – planting churches and fellowship groups throughout Europe and the Middle East. **God is reaching the nations through Athens!**



## Our Roles

The unique nature of this ministry allows both Brett and Kristin to serve within areas of passion and gifting. **Brett**, as the team leader, guides the team in vision, strategic planning, and staff development. In addition, Brett teaches discipleship classes at "The Nest" and "Timothy House" - our shelter and discipleship house, respectively. **Kristin** now spends most of her time ministering in the home - both raising our daughters and practicing hospitality by inviting refugee friends into our home for food and fellowship.