

January 2, 2013

Dear friends,

Another year has just passed and another is ahead of us. I know what has happened during 2012, but only God knows what is in front of us 2013. Sometimes it would be nice to know what lies ahead, but at the same time I am glad not knowing the future because I put it in Gods safe hands!

Of course, as always, we have been at some camps at Västeräng this year. Alexander, 9 years old, and I went to the young pathfinder camp (<http://www.adventist.se/play/4537/spararlager-2012.aspx>) and I was the leader of his group. The week afterwards Edith and Christoffer, 14 years old, came to the campsite to for us all to have a week together at the family camp (<http://www.adventist.se/play/4541/familjelager.aspx>). The week was filled with lots of activities both for Edith and me as couple and for the kids. Unfortunately I got a cold with an ugly cough, and, as we all were sleeping in the same room, I slept most of the nights in the car not to wake the rest of the family ...

Couple of weeks later Christoffer and I were back at Västeräng to join the Nordic Camporee (<http://nordiccamporee.eu/Default.aspx?ID=16263>) with over 8-900



pathfinders from all over Scandinavia. Alexander could not stay home alone, so he had to come along as well although the camp was not for his age group since we were sleeping in tents and cooking our food over open fires, etc. Our group from the south of Sweden built our camp together with SAS – the pathfinder group from Copenhagen, Denmark. It was fun to be over 50 pathfinders in the same group, but also to be able to build something out of the ordinary – “a night club.” A place where all the teenagers gathered at night singing,

playing, eating and having fun together. After having made over 300 hot sandwiches one night to the over 100 people who came to visit us in the evenings, I was tired and slept well although the ground was not very soft... Our late night rule was: If you are up late, you of course have to attend all the activities during the day. The Swede's made a wonderful presentation about our country. Please check it out on YouTube (http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gr7MbfwML_c)!

Edith and the kids went for one week to Turkey on holiday in September enjoying the sun the beach/pool. Through some friends they were able to borrow an apartment for the week. Edith also went to Romania for a week visiting her parents in September.



This year both Edith and I have changed work. I work for Växjö Kommun (<http://www.vaxjo.se/>), the county, as the director of one unit [enhetschef] inside the social welfare area. Edith works for Euro Accident (<http://www.euroaccident.com>), an insurance company, as a care/medical planner [vårdplanerare].

Take care and God bless, and please come by Växjö to visit us!

/Peter Nilsson

More picture of the family can be found on our homepage
<http://home.swipnet.se/edithnilsson>