

# AIM Report: Latvia

Vision Ventspils

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December 11th- 15th: I arrived in Riga, Latvia this week and was in route to Ventspils, Latvia on December 11th. It was a week full of readjusting and getting back into the system of things. I was able to meet some of the ministers the team had connected with after I had left, and also began studying Russian along with the rest of the team. It was awesome to see how much the team had grown and how the connection with the people in Ventspils had grown stronger.

December 16th- 22nd: We were able to reconnect with a Latvian minister who we had not seen since the end of summer, and he invited us to go with them to pass out gifts to children at different schools, (Operation Christmas Child). I was left in awe of how well the schools received all of us, and left inspired/motivated to do more because of how one "small" thing could light up an entire room. Also because I saw how helping someone opens them up to sharing so much more with them. God is doing great things.

December 23rd- 31st: We joined the group in Riga for service and a time of fellowship together- God moved in a mighty way. The holidays were a little tough without family. However, our team, rather, our AIM family here in Ventspils came together and we sure enjoyed our Christmas celebrating our Savior- it was wonderful. We continued meeting with contacts- who have now become more like friends. I was also able to testify of what God had done for our family this year. I joined Christa for a Bible study, and the young lady was very open and continues to want to study more in the future. We are also continuing to learn Russian. We went to Riga for the New Year, and I was able to reconnect with a contact I was teaching Spanish to during the summer time, and she continues to be very open. Excited to see what God does next!