

Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord and against his Anointed, saying, "Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us." He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision. Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying, "As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill." I will tell of the decree: The Lord said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you. Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession. You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel." Now therefore, O kings, be wise; be warned, O rulers of the earth. Serve the Lord with fear, and rejoice with trembling. Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed all who take refuge are in him. (Psalm 2)

HOME MINISTRY FEBRUARY 2024 DEAR FRIENDS AND PARTNERS OF THE REACH BEYOND MINISTRY TO THE PEOPLES OF CZECHIA AND SLOVAKIA

Thanks to God and many prayers, Pavel's health is back almost to normal life and operation. After the second hospitalization he came home very weak and thin, but gradually increased his physical activity, his walking and endurance; sleeping and eating well makes a difference. His weight is slowly increasing, but what would anyone give to lose a few pounds?

As of now, he is no longer of interest to the doctors. He is scheduled for another check-up in six months.

The time between the hospitalization and Pavel's recovery became a period of hibernation. For him, it was the period of recovery and isolation that motivated me to take the archival files of all possible and impossible documents by storm. During his hospitalization, I realized that I could not find a single document on my own. This meant a great reduction in paper.

The second frontal attack concerns the books we have accumulated over the years. For our generation, which grew up in the communist era, books have always been a real treasure. Although we did not read most of them, we moved them from place to place and cherished them with nostalgia. Today, in the age of Google search, websites and AI, any information can be found with a few clicks.

A few years ago, we consolidated our office into the apartment where we live. The result of this decision was that books took up more space than anything else. Sorting out books in Czech and English, secular, spiritual, and inconsequential is a monumental task. In this day and age, it is a very difficult to give books away.

BACK TO NORMAL WORK

As for the spiritual-intellectual work of the ministry, it is already in full swing. Before and after his hospitalization, Pavel prepared the translation of his book into Polish for proofreading. Now, after the hospitalization, he has finished the English translation for editing. The Lord provided a dear friend, and here is her answer:

I haven't read the draft you sent me, but I would be happy to proofread it for you. Anything that strikes a blow against Satan and his lies is worthy of cooperation. It's good to see you back in the harness after your recent upheavals. Love to you both,

Wilma

BIG BROTHER REPORTS

A few days ago we discovered a personal Google Maps record of our whereabouts over the past few years. We visited 11 countries (3 new); 113 towns/cities (61 new); 330 places (212 new); walked 68 mi; drove 7,877 mi; flew 19,446 mi (62 hours); shopped 140 hours (71 places).

In total we walked, drove and flew 28,252 mi, slightly more than a trip around the world.

We thank the Lord that all those crises happened while we were at home and within reach of quick help. All the more reason to thank God that He is merciful, and without His permission not a hair on our heads would fall out.

In our last letter we mentioned that the first New Year's phone call came from Australia, so the first visitor to our home this year was also from Australia. It was the first, but far from the last.

PRAISES AND PRAYER REQUEST

- We are happy to be part of the fellowship and ministry activities once again.
- The conference on February 24th is just around the corner. We look forward to many meetings.

- We look forward to getting back to our normal lives and to our trip to America in May and our family reunion. Lord willing, maybe a short visit to the church in NY.
- Although the leap year (every 4th year we add an extra day, February 29th) will bring hope for peace as a world around us swells with darkness and tribulation. Wars and conflicts are not only distant and local, but we are all in danger.
- Happy Valentine's Day to all!

Thank you all for your prayers and encouraging words. Afterwards, we realized how serious Pavel's situation was - heart, lung, urological problems, antibiotic side effects, loss of appetite.

TAKE A LOOK AT THE CZECH REPUBLIC

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