THE STEIGER'S E-PRAYER & PRAISE REPORT April 2008

With love and appreciation we send you another special bi-monthly E-mail Prayer & Praise Report (E-PPR) about Czech and Slovak ministry: WE ASKED—YOU PRAYED—HE ANSWERED:

But when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, so that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" Therefore you are no longer a slave, but a son; and if a son, then an heir through God. (Galatians 4:4-7)

Dear Friends and Partners of the HCJB Global Ministry to People in Czech and Slovak Republics

Greetings to all from Prague's spring,

This year we have an early start. Everything is green and colorful. Days are rather wet and Klara is experiencing a very mild allergy season.

As you know our part of the world lives in a spiritual ignorance, thus it is a challenging place to serve. We cannot report to you that people are enthusiastically seeking and accepting His Gospel. Their Gospel knowledge is very basic—often not much higher than the Gospel knowledge of the heathen. Ministering to this kind of people is not about numbers of changed hearts, it is about the missionary's faithfulness, stamina and perseverance. Our 16-year service in the country and 20-year service since we started producing radio programs are the result of the prayerful support of many of you and the patience of all of us laboring in this part of His kingdom. We see results of our labor and we praise Him for opportunities we have.

We are back at home in Prague and moving full speed ahead. While we were on our Home ministry, several of you asked us about the progress concerning Slovak broadcasting. We explained that the next licensing hearing was set for this spring. Now we have some exciting news to report that started a bit bleakly:

Slovakia Report

Dear Steigers,

First I want to inform you that we have exhausted all possibilities to gain a useful broadcasting frequency for Banska Bystrica. The result of this is that all suitable and effective bands are not available at this time. As an alternative option I suggest evaluating possibilities in other cities. My suggestion is to try the following three towns: Liptovský Mikuláš, Žilina, Prešov. My suggestion is to ask Virtual Radio Network (VRN) to coordinate the most suitable frequency in named localities. According to unconfirmed information there might be one available in Žilina.

I realize that this is a step back from our original plans; however this is the only path we can pursue at this time. This decision is not easy, and I ask you to consider prayerfully each option above and let me knot what to do next.

Milan

In spite of this disappointment, it was not such bad news since we are well acquainted with all the people involved in the mentioned locations. This is what the endurance is about:

1. Liptovský Mikuláš – Where our former HCJB Global coworker and program producer, Peter Surovcek, is preparing and broadcasting testimonies, Christian messages and songs via the Internet.

2. Žilina – Draho Vajda – Where the new publisher and editor of the magazine Change and Growth resides. This publication is an offshoot of our HCJB magazine "Battle for the Soul."

3. Prešov – Which has an active youth group in cooperation with Youth for Christ President Jožko Gabor, who used to minister together with us in Monte Carlo with Trans World Radio about 20 years ago.

A couple of days later we received another of Milan's letter:

Dear Steiger's,

I do not know how to explain the following, but I just received a copy of a letter from the Telekom office. It announces that our request for frequency was adjusted not to interfere with the Hungarian territory. This means that there are no formal obstructions to start broadcasting. We can start preparation to build a broadcasting site in Banská Bystrica. We need to arrange several meetings to take care of a number of details and agreements.

Milan

Can you imagine our JOY! We realize that there will be more obstacles to overcome, but this is major step FORWARD. Thank you for praying and supporting this project.

Czech Report

There's more news about broadcasting. We visited Flagstaff Christian Fellowship, met with the pastor Steve and the mission chairman Julia. This was a great meeting and our partnership is extended to translate and broadcast a series of programs from the book of James.

We have mentioned above that our magazine "Battle for the Soul" has a new sibling – Change and Growth (CG). We are pleased to report that out of our Slovak office came an initiative to found another publication that is in Slovak language. The first issues were attached into our magazine. Two years later we can say that it is an independent and viable ministry tool in the Slovak language. CG can expand topics we do not address in our publication.

Family news

Little Jordan has first month report: Lenka wrote:

I will start from the beginning when we picked Jordan up in Ethiopia (over 5 weeks ago). We saw immediately that Jordan was very well taken care of and was loved by all the staff at the TH (transitional house). As we posted earlier you know from our trip that Jordan cried the first time she saw us which is was a very good thing. It means she developed a good attachment to her nanny and it is one of the most important things in adoption (attachment). When we were at the TH we took Jordan outside with us since we thought it was too hot in the room and because she cried whenever she saw her nanny. She did great outside with us. She loved looking at the older kids playing and she fell asleep in our arms. ...

Her adjustment in the new family was incredible. Every day we could see the difference. We wish that we were able to see all the changes in her adjustment. Lenka should write a manual for adoptive parents.

Jordan's re-adoption: just wanted to let you know that Jordan was officially readopted in accordance to NH State laws. There for her name is now officially Jordan Sentayehu Steiger and she is also officially a US citizen. If you wish to follow all about her adoption just click – <u>http://thesteigerclan.blogspot.com/</u>

Our younger son Vit (now 40) spent three weeks with us. We had great time together. He is the next one planning to visit Fil and Lenka – to become the most favored uncle.

With love and appreciation, Klara and Pavel Steiger Your HCJB Global Voice missionaries in Czech and Slovak Republic

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