

## **THE STEIGER'S E-PRAYER and PRAISE REPORT; JUNE 2005 / 2**

### **Dear Friends,**

This is another special monthly e-mail prayer and praise report (E-PPR) about Czech and Slovak ministry just for you. We ASKED - YOU PRAYED - HE ANSWERED:

THANK YOU FOR kind words and reaction to our E-PPR. We love to be personal as possible and this is hopefully one way. This month has been quite busy and so our June report is a little bit late.

Last weekend Klara had a reunion with classmates from grade school to celebrate their 60th birthdays. Klara was born on the Czech German border, which used to be populated mostly by Germans. After the war Germans were expelled and then Czechs who were displaced by the war moved in. Towns along the border were cut right in the middle. For the next 40 years this was a territory with border patrols and a military presence and often the road was next to German territory. In old days non-residents could not even enter this territory. Plowed strips of land, guard towers and barbed wires are no longer there but it is still a wounded part of the world. However, the hunting is still great, since the wildlife was undisturbed for such long time. Now it is possible to cross to Germany just by walking. Since the fall of Iron Curtain (in 1989) lot of East Germans moved to the west side. On the Czech side there is growing unemployment.

The sad part is that not one of Klara's schoolmates or teachers are believers as God is as real to them as Santa Claus. The Lord gave us an opportunity to share the Gospel with one of the ladies - last year she had a stroke. It is so hard to "undo" godlessness from hearts of humanly speaking "nice" people. We rejoice with a recent family visit where we could talk to three "fifty and over children" from Klara's childhood. They had many questions and interactions in three-generation setting, which was really challenging. Once again we see how crucial is for us to be here and to go where the souls are.

### **PRAISES:**

In our regular letters we shared with you how we marvel that the Lord keeps us active and motivated to serve in Czech and Slovak Republics. In the past we asked that you pray that the HCJB World Radio ministry in Czech Republic and Slovakia could expand. The Lord is answering these prayer in unexpected ways.

HCJB Euro conference was an encouragement to us and our HCJB Slovak team. During the Slovak presentation they shared, "We are getting many letters, some of them are very short just expressing appreciation and thankfulness. Some letters are longer, sharing with us life stories, testimonies about how a person has found new strength in relationship with God. All the letters give us the reason to go ahead in spite of the difficulties we are facing. These letters are like oxygen for our lungs." The Slovak work is done by a small team of volunteers. We have no budget to speak of but the Lord provides. Please pray for dedicated servants, protection and encouragement for all of us.

– Milan Hudec, HCJB Slovakia –

**Dear and beloved in the Lord,**

I was deeply touched with your program „The Lord's prayer“ that you have been broadcasting every Sunday morning. Due to my serious illness I am not able to attend church. I am always looking forward to go into the depth of the prayer to find new strength in my walk with the Lord. I am thankful to the Holy Spirit that he led your team of workers to address this very important topic about how to pray as Jesus taught his disciples. When listening to your program I feel like one of the disciples listening to the words of Jesus... Please, continue in this wonderful work. I pray for you and I am sending a small amount of money to support the cost of broadcasting.

– Košice –

**Dear friends,**

Thank you for the program you are broadcasting on Sunday morning. It is not only caressing of the soul but also a challenge of how to think and change my life. It is time to examine how I am following Jesus. I appreciate how you approach the depth of the scripture. You are showing us how the scripture should be the guide and the light for our life. I like testimonies of the people and I am thankful to those who are willing to be vulnerable and open to help others to understand real meaning of life and how to seek a better understanding of our God...

– Bardejov –

**Dear brothers and sisters in HCJB Radio,**

Please, send me your program in written form as I am not able to listen every Sunday. I would like to read your Bible teaching several times to understand better the Scripture. It is important to go into the depth and discover the power of Jesus words and His ministry. It is really beautiful when we are able to learn how to live in the presence of God thanks to your program. Sometimes I feel like clay in the hands of the Potter. He is molding the most important parts of my old life. I am accepting new shape of life. Your program taught me to think positively and to grow to be like Jesus. It is worth it to live with Jesus indeed. May God richly bless you for creating such valuable programs. In Christ yours...

– Žilina –

**Dear friends,**

Your broadcast has a special „charm“. Thank you for sending me your programs in written form. It was interesting to see how two of my friends grabbed them and started to read. I would never expect that they would be interested in God. I am sorry I am not able to send you more money but I pray that God will bless your ministry more than I am able to pay...

In the Love of Christ, thinking of you

– Family Ma. –

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Region and future ministries - Mike and Ellen Dworak, future HCJB WR Euro Region director attended the recent conference and we became well acquainted. Please pray that their support will come in soon.

Our church needs prayer as part of the members are leaving to start new church in another part of the city. This situation means that the rest of us will have to work much harder. Our prayer is that this will also provide opportunity to bring the mission of HCJB closer to the church.

Thank you for your love and prayers. Please keep praying for all the changes and transitions.

In His Grace and Service,  
Your HCJB missionaries  
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