

THE STEIGER'S E-PRAYER and PRAISE REPORT; OCTOBER 2005/4

Dear Friends,

This is another special monthly E-mail Prayer and Praise Report (E-PPR) about Czech and Slovak ministry: WE ASKED—YOU PRAYED—HE ANSWERED:

Our hearts have been touched by all the tragic events in Louisiana, Alabama, Mississippi and Texas. We found out that our friends are safe on higher ground. It's sad to see how sequestered America has been. We could not believe the comments on Czech state TV: *"Bush sent 300 soldiers from Iraq to New Orleans. They know how to kill."* A few days latter: *"American soldiers and police evacuate people from New Orleans by force. They were not trained how to kill Americans."* One of the local reactions was: *"If America has money to wage war in Iraq, it should have money to pay for this catastrophe."* On the other hand there was a beneficiary concert in Prague for the victims of Katrina.

We have numerous praises to share with you:

Emma Rose, our new granddaughter, is perfect gift and addition to the family. Grandma Klara had an opportunity to hold and cuddle the newborn for 10 days...what a joy!! She is loved dearly. Time spent with our grandsons who are now almost 4 and 5 was also very special but Klara is still not Grandpa. This way they can be more physical, since they know that they should treat ladies and girls different way. Boys will be boys!!

Klara had an exciting encounter during both flights to and from Newark. It never happened to her before to meet someone so ready for Gospel. A Czech couple, he was a prosecutor and she was a travel agent, who know Pavel's cousins quite well...a husband and wife, each came for deep spiritual talk. His work in their hearts was so obvious. It was like serving a cup of cold water in the desert. What a joy!!

Klara is now 60 – appreciating all the blessings and family time. At the recent birthday dinner with Filip's family, he commented about the three most important women in his life—wife, newly born daughter and mother.

Our family vacation with Vit was absolutely awesome. To travel with a Czech group is something else. Every day we were on the bus at 7AM and came back to next hotel at about 8PM. No breaks in between for lunch or dinner, just a stop at a supermercado buying bread, fruits, yogurt, cheese, salami, water etc... We saw so much. The driver said that the western tourists see just about a third as much. We walked in 10 days about 60 miles—probably much more. The average age of the group was just close to 70. However, we did not starve or loose any weight. Vit and Pavel took together 1965 digital pictures. The history of Spain and Portugal is an eye opener to better understand the current tension between Islam, Christians and Jews. In this encounter the Christians and Jews are loosing ground and the European continent will face many religious and cultural changes. In addition, some spiritual seeds were planted and we will follow up.

During our rainy summer days we wrote, edited and completed two publishing projects. The first one was scanning one theological translations published around 1950, only 500 copies were made for use by the theological seminary. PTL, now it is available on Internet. It was a big job—more than 300 pages. The next issue of pocket theology is also done and will be distributed before the end of this year. Publishers of Baptist quarterly prayer guide have asked us for cooperation. We became a part of the nine author team.

October activities overload:

Our calendar is not booked solid but overbooked – seminars (Darwin, Islam, Philip Yancey), activities (Pavel will teach, Bible study every other week), visitors (from far and near) ... so we are moving full speed ahead to the end of 2005 and into next year.

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- Event of the century—that is how we call Darwin and Design conference planned for Oct. 22, 2005 in Prague. Our fervent prayers are for numerous and wide audience attendance. Speakers are top-notch people. The country needs introduction to His Design.
- The other conference deals with topic of Growth of Islam and what it means in 21st. century.
- Please pray for the broadcasting situation in Slovakia. The door is wide open, however the studio situation is becoming crucial and we have no additional funds available to pay for the rent, not to mention the need for studio upgrade. The studio cannot stay in the residence of our key man. On the other hand there are some new exciting possibilities ... we all live by faith.
- Euro-Asia/NAME Regional Council Meetings with World Office Directors are scheduled for November 25-27, 2005 at the Bibelheim near Männedorf, Switzerland. Meetings like this are key for good communication and working together; it is so important that we stay together and keep each other moving toward His goal.

Thank you for your love and prayers.

In His Service,

Klara and Pavel Steiger

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