

## **THE STEIGER'S E-PRAYER & PRAISE REPORT JUNE 2006**

**Dear Friends,**

Once again, this is the time for another special monthly  
E-mail Prayer & Praise Report (E-PPR) about Czech and Slovak ministry:

**WE ASKED—YOU PRAYED—HE ANSWERED:**

When it rains it pours – this is how we can describe events after our vacation days. We had ahead three major events – arrival of our children, grandchildren, the Dworak's and finishing office moving. The Dworak's received their Czech long-term visas at the last moment. Two days before their departure they were in Chicago, Mike called the consulate, and the visas just arrived. It was a relief that they arrived with long-term visas. The first days we showed the Dworaks where to find everything they would need. Pavel spent two more days with Mike and Ellen, standing in the line for 11 hours to register them at Department of Foreign Police. One American in the queue said:

*Everyone should stand in the line like this to realize that we all are like a grain of sand. It teaches you humility.*

Why did I mention the rain? It was cold and rainy in April, and the same is true for June. People say:

*This year's winter has been really great. Let's hope that July and August will not spoil it!*

Those few sunny days we had since we came home were those we spend with our kids and grandkids.

Our days with Filip, Lenka, Samuel, Nate and Emma were wonderful. The first half of their stay they spent with Lenka's parents while we were helping Mike and Ellen Dworak. On the weekend family and friends got together at Lenka's parent's place.

The second week they stayed with us and we arranged a reunion of Filip's cousins with their children, one of which lives in Germany with her German husband. While we were together we had to use three languages within one family – Czech, English and German. Six little ones had a great time without paying attention to any language differences. See the picture below:



Boys loved trains and trams, however for the parents it is challenge to constantly hold their hands because of heavy traffic everywhere. We visited Prague's attractions and while in the ZOO we got drenched.

Days passed very fast and before we knew it was time to say goodbye and return back to reality – loading stuff to banana boxes and caring them to our apartment. Since January we were in the process of preparing the apartment (our former office) for Dworak's. It was not easy at all, since we did not know what they might want to keep and what we have to move away, give away or just to get rid off, so we left boxes of books and other stuff for sorting after their arrival. Dworaks wanted to choose the paint color and into this setup came Dworak's 35 boxes. At our home we had to sort and dispose of more documents and paperwork we accumulated over the years. It felt like disposing of things from an estate. Well, we are one step closer to our heavenly home.

### **PRAISE AND PRAYER:**

- Change in our ministry account – several of you noticed the change in our ministry account number. Czech Koruna-Crown (CZK), is getting stronger and stronger, it even outperforms gold! Since 2001 it outperformed the Euro by 20%, the British Pound by 27%, the Swiss Frank by 24%, and the US Dollar by 48%! When we take into account a small inflation rate and lost support, then since 2001 our ministry Dollar shrank to a mere 37 cents...! For this reason we had to do further changes and adjustments in our ministry budget. As of now, all

funds go into the Czech Project account and from there we draw our personal support. Previously it was the other way around. All funds used to go into our personal account with higher deduction for administrative and health insurance charges. This way it is much easier for the HCJB World Radio accounting department and at the end we have more funds for our ministry activities. Since we lost 63% of our real income as shown above, it was our decision to reduce our personal allowance to bear minimum. We also had to fire Gabi, though she still helps us for a \$200 monthly gift.

- We would appreciate prayer for Gabi's situation in Wales. Previous tenants demolished the property where she was supposed to live. The apartment needs major reconstruction. Six months of temporary living conditions are not pleasant at all. We are grateful that she is helping us with the programs for Trans World Radio in spite of all difficulties.
- Mike and Ellen Dworak are finding their ways around, discovering some interesting and important connections in English speaking churches where many different nationalities meet. Their apartment is coming together very nicely.
- The first weekend of June we attended, together with Dworak's, the traditional, annual HCJB World Radio European conference in Schmitten, Germany. We will report some important information in our next News Release.

### **SHOWERS of FRIENDS and VISITORS:**

At the end of June we are expecting a mother and son visit — The Kladensky's — from Ecuador and Costa Rica. We are really looking forward to meeting with them again. Lili and her daughter Georgina Kladensky Gonzales were the founders of Czech and Slovak broadcasting in Quito. Together they served Czech and Slovak people for about 25 years. We made arrangements with TWR for some interviews and will make sure that they can minister in our church as well.

The Kaladensky's visit will overlap for couple of days with the visit of our younger son Vit as well as Eric Moore — Euro region director. Vit is coming for a business trip to Germany and adds a short side trip to be with us for few days.

Thank you for your love and prayers.  
In His Sovereign Grace and Service,  
Klara and Pavel Steiger

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