

THE STEIGER'S E-PRAYER & PRAISE REPORT OCTOBER 2006

Dear Friends,

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:

Third quarter of the year is showing its best. We are grateful for many blessings. Several expected as well as unexpected events happened in September. You prayed, He answered.

This is the latest development of Slovak studio:

Dear friends,

It is hard to explain in a few words the events we are experiencing these days. God started to act concerning our studio facility. Five minutes walking from our house we were offered a facility very suitable for our needs. The rental price is a great miracle. It must be a miracle when God started to act... The price is less then a half of a price in this area. Tomorrow I have a negotiation with the owners of the property and it seems they are ready to sign the rental contract. Please, pray with us for Gods guidance and wisdom for the negotiations.

Yours in Christ,

Milan

So far, the results of the negotiation are: the rental is about \$150 per month and cost of studio reconstruction is estimated to be about an \$8,500 capital investment. We praise the Lord, that opportunity for Slovak ministry is wide open.

Gabi

She finally moved into a new place in Cardiff, Wales UK. She has now high speed internet and we can communicate once again. Her shipment from CZ to UK should come at the end of November. This positive development is pivotal for our future mutual cooperation and meaningful continuation of this ministry. Gabi is digitizing and splicing our programs for Radio7 that operates under TWR-CZ ministry.

Exit 316

This Christian TV program for secular viewers was launched in September. The comments from the general TV audience are mostly positive. The format is refreshing and provocative. We like the creative approach of using guardian angels who are reporting to heaven about the situation on Earth. However, there is some criticism coming from Christian circles. They are concerned that one of the producers is a US missionary. Local churches are rejecting the influence of Para-church mission organizations and activities. There is a valid point to this concern; however the lack of local church unity and willingness to stand united for His glory is a sad reality.

Family affairs

It all started as an innocent question, "When are you coming?" I found out that Lenka (our daughter-in-law) signed up for a Women's conference in Atlanta. My Grandkids first time of going four days without mom gave her concerns and me an opportunity. I knew that I was ready to go to assume position of babysitting grandma. Traveling with purpose was an igniter. Fuel was numerous frequent flyers miles waiting to be used, and heart desire and longing to spend time with grandkids was all what was needed. It all worked together so well. My heart was blessed in all aspects. We had great time together. This is the first year of home schooling for boys, second for Awana and soccer team, followed by many other activities I could be part of. I practiced kicking the ball with Samuel and during Saturday's match he scored 3 goals. They lost 3 to 7; however, he was a hero. Every morning I had a "surprise" ready for the boys. I read numbers of book at least 10 times and enjoyed every minute of this special time. Lenka and I have birthdays two weeks and a number of years apart. I turned 61 which I called my "sweet reversed 16." The last blessing of this trip was the new lap top computer I brought back. Vit found an incredible HP with Windows XP Media Center Edition. My work station was long overdue for upgrade. I love it as long as I am not surprised by some new features or functions!

Ukraine, here I come

As we mentioned in our last Prayer letter, Pavel's trip to Western Ukraine was a big blessing. The Brethren Church's ministry team took some humanitarian aid to Christians in this remote area of Western Ukraine. It used to be part of Czechoslovakia until 1918, and before that it was the territory of Austro-Hungarian empire. During the WWII it was Hungary. After 1945 it became part of the Soviet Union and now it is Ukraine. Between 1918 and 1991 people of this Carpathian area were citizens of five different countries without leaving their birthplace. Because of this unnatural situation, their life is quite simple. Life expectancy of men is 48, people have no money, no jobs, and they

are isolated from the rest of the world, though geographically they border the European Union. A retired local doctor at Mizhgorye needs medication which costs monthly the same amount as his pension. Most shocking were visits to the Gypsy's camp in Mukachevo – their living conditions are very primitive:



However, they have a Baptist church:



Pavel is looking forward to the next trip and our son Vit got an invitation to join the team. He is seriously considering coming.

Sunday morning

As is typical every Sunday, we were driving to church when about a half mile from our home the car's engine started rattling at a dizzying speed of 20 miles per hour. It sounded bad and when Pavel opened the hood we could see engine vibrations. We left the car and used a tram to get to the church. Our bone feeling was that this was serious and the driver of the tow truck confirmed our suspicion. He said, "It's a broken valve." The next day at the garage they gave us some hope, that it may be less serious. However, waiting for diagnosis kept us in tension with bleak hope. The driver of the tow truck was right. A broken valve chopped up a cylinder and the head of the engine. There were only 75,000 miles on the car!? For several days we faced the decision whether to risk the costly repair or sell the otherwise beautiful "wreck" and buy a new car. One of the mechanics solved our dilemma. Since the car was otherwise in such a good shape he gave us an offer and we sold it to him. Now we are in the process of buying a new car. We are praising the Lord that this happened so close to our home, two miles from our regular service garage and not on the way to the HCJB Conference in Switzerland that we planned a few days later.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Slovak studio development.
- Our car situation.
- HCJB conference in Switzerland. We were looking forward to drive, since the new part of the freeway to the German border was connected with a new German freeway. This is supposed to shorten travel time to Munich to mere three instead of four-and-half hours. Since the car will be ready after the conference, Pavel is going to travel by train.

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

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