THE STEIGER'S E-PRAYER & PRAISE REPORT FEBRUARY - MARCH 2007

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:

For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection, knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; for he who has died is freed from sin. (Romans 6:5-7)

Greetings to dear Friends and Partners of the HCJB Global Voice Ministry to Czech and Slovak People,

Next generation – more and more we realize that we are surrounded by very young people who are replacing our generation. It does not mean that our ranks are diminishing; actually number of retired people is growing rapidly especially in Europe. Our generation is now listening to new generation as they are assuming their positions. This is exiting for the future of Czech ministries. Recently we attended lecture – topic Creation vs. Evolution. Libor is the new kid on the block. He is a college graduate working on research project at the university and teaching at the college level. He came to us about year ago. It was pleasure to have him in our Bible study group – his precise thinking and ability to express complex thoughts the way people can understand is true gift. We could provide lot of scholarly literature, encourage him to start serving and he is doing great job.

More volunteers – our young friends expressed desire to prepare part or topical issue of our magazine. It is great to know that we have someone to replace us when the time comes. This looks like a good match – since they are involved in publishing of Christian translations.

Special projects – that's how Klara feels about several new opportunities to serve. In past letters we shared with you experience of Czech-Canadian couple serving two terms in Czech Republic and described how well they related to elderly generation here. They truly love the country of their family origin. Their hearts are on fire to bring change especially to local church's attitude toward evangelization leading to the growth by adding new believers.

Jerry Marek, a Czech Canadian, wrote a manual dealing with Church growth. Klara is translating his text from "engliczech" into proper Czech language. Inverse work is for us doing Nathan Dell who modifies our "czenglish" into proper English. What a timing – our church started to look into assessment of our ministry services reserves and ways how to develop outreach to the visitors and how to serve better those who might need help. Church fellowship is usually limited to small groups of somehow related people (related families, past church or denomination memberships, age groups – children, teens, common interests – sports,...). Anonymity of people is one of the most disturbing facts. Attempts to create general or specific Church directory was previously always rejected. We know each other by the faces only and even after several years of the church attendance we do not know each other by the name.

Special event – Klara was recently invited to attend performance celebrating birth anniversary of Amadeus Mozart in theater where his operas had world premiere. After the concert we attended special reception on stage. Right there is a bronze marking the spot where he was conducting. Mozart loved Prague and his music is beautiful.

Special visitors – Jim and Mary McKean, from HCJB Global membership care, came to visit us. We spent great weekend together, visiting concentration camp in Terezín (Theresienstadt) and enjoying early spring in Prague.

Answers to prayer – Slovak studio is on going battle field of prayers. Few days ago we received sample recording of Steve Cole's messages from book of Hebrews. It is hard to beat Milan's high professional standards, but we know that His word will not miss the target with less sophisticated recording. New coworkers will have about 100 programs to translate from Czech into Slovak and record them. We are very grateful to Flagstaff Christian Fellowship for their partnership – <u>http://www.fcfonline.org/</u> Slovak broadcasting is scheduled to start in April. Please keep praying for smooth sailing.

The Revolution train project is moving on – possibly it will be introduced in the US. One of the US questions is – should drug prevention project become a commercial project? It may happen that realization of project will move faster in the US than here. Cooperation with local drug prevention governmental agencies is hard. They do not like new kid on the block to get into their financial flow.

Each added day of ministry is blessing and we thank to each of YOU for being our friend and partner.

P.S. We combined our regular News Release and E-PPR together. We will return back to normal schedule later.

His blessing and protection to all. In His Sovereign Grace and Service,

Klara and Pavel Steiger Your HCJB Global Voice missionaries in Czech and Slovak Republics

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