



THE STEIGER'S E-PRAYER & PRAISE REPORT February 2013

**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:**

2012 WINTER CONFERENCE

The best medicine for winter blues is to keep busy. January was extremely busy, since our winter conference kept us on the tips of our toes. February is speeding by and the first half of this year is filling up fast indeed, with all kinds of ministry activities. We are already planning next year's Winter Conference. After this year's "Joyful salvation" we prepare 2014's theme "Man is not God".

We are overjoyed to report back that our Joyful conference was a great success in spite of cold days and flu season. Each speaker was well prepared and their presentation was excellent. Now the "digi-conference" video recording is available on our web pages—in Czech and Slovak of course.

We asked those who did attend for written feedback. Here is a funny one:

To improve the conference you should start thinking about providing air transportation from Slovakia.

The farthest attendee had to suffer a 200-mile ride or drive! Conference attendance exceeded some 220 brothers and sisters in Christ. The church auditorium was filled to capacity. Now we are searching for a conference room with bigger capacity. Once again we were reunited with many listeners, readers and friends from the past. Their faithfulness is amazing. Our greatest joy comes from young people from all different parts of the country and denominations. Now we regularly recall the encouraging verse that we were exposed to at our HCJB orientation back in February 1990:

◆ *Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and will show thee great things, and difficult, which thou knowest not. (Jeremiah 33:3)*

All attendees received two books, one by Spurgeon: *All of Grace*, and the other by John Benton: *Losing Touch with the Living God*. Those two books were also mailed to all pastors who showed interest.

Here is the thankful letter sent to all six speakers:

Dear brothers.

Let me express deep appreciation for your ministry during the Winter Conference. I praise the Lord that He used you as His tool to glorify His name in the lives of Czech and Slovak Christians. I want you to know that your ministry was greatly appreciated. Perhaps you will not see the fruit right away, but our Lord tells us that the harvest will come and the day of rejoicing is near.

◆ *...so shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it. (Isaiah 55:11)*

◆ *A man shall be satisfied with good by the fruit of his mouth; And the doings of a man's hands shall be rendered unto him. (Proverbs 12:14)*

I praise the Lord for your willingness, thoroughness in message preparation and your prayers for all aspects of the conference.

*Best wishes and His blessings,
Jaroslav Kernal*

A Slovak attendee recorded the conference atmosphere you can dip into by clicking this link:

<http://nkzba.temelios.sk/video/zimna-konferencia-casopisu-ZOD-v-Brne-19-1-2013>

CZECH PRESIDENTIAL ELECTIONS

The following weekend after the conference was the nation's first-ever direct presidential election. Since 1918 the presidents have been elected by parliament. Czech Republic has no presidential system; the top executive power is in the hands of the Prime Minister. The President functions broadly as a representative "monarch." In our last letter we mentioned that the second round of candidates will not be about right and left but about values. Our hopes were cautiously optimistic, but the end result was the candidate with lesser values. The outcome is the victory with no winners. The never-ending redistribution of wealth will continue till there will be none. Only our Lord knows the ends.

◆ *And he changeth the times and the seasons; he removeth kings, and setteth up kings; he giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that have understanding; (Daniel 2:21)*

That's why we are at ease; we know that everything is in His hands. The LORD reigns and he is the King of kings.

PRAISE AND PRAYER REQUESTS

- Our pastor Daniel underwent his second bone marrow transplant in January. The doctors are encouraged by the progress.
- February is the month to take care of Czech Income Taxes, March for US. Since we have to prepare both returns, it is always quite a complex issue, even for professionals.
- Our children and grandchildren are coming in April. Once again we will all be together. Filip and Lenka will celebrate their 15th wedding anniversary (they were married here).
- Keep praying for the broadcasting situation in Slovakia.

To conclude, we pray that our Lord will protect and bless you. We appreciate all your prayers and standing with us.

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