



THE STEIGER'S E-PRAYER & PRAISE REPORT May 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:**

Our dear friends and partners,

First of all we do apologize to those who have gotten our March printed Newsletter in May. We checked May 3rd with our Prayer letter mission in the U.S. that we did not get the bill for printing and mailing and found out that our March Prayer Letter was not processed at all. We do not know what happened.

On April 20th our troop of visitors arrived. They left Boston the same evening just before the town was completely shut down because of the search for those involved in the marathon bombing event. For a while there was confusion about who did the terrorist act, and since Czechs and Chechens are often stateside confused for the same nation we got unwelcomed attention. To erase Czech Republic from the map was an opportunity for all Czech people living in America to explain that Czechs are not to be blamed. A few days later the Czech community in West, TX, a well-known place of Czech Kolache Festivals was badly hit by explosion.

Let's go back to our joyful time with grandkids. Our younger son stayed one week, father of four grandkids left after 10 days. Can you imagine seven visitors plus two of us in a three bedroom apartment? What a joy and what a noise. We took turns with our maternal grandma in-law (Babi). Each of us had two exchanges; one week at her house, one week in our apartment.

Together we did several trips, near and far. The boys especially had fun with uncle and grandpa. We took them to the place where Klara was born, and since it is about 10 miles from Herenhut we added a few special side trips like the Mission museum, Meissen, a famous porcelain factory and Dresden. Boys and uncles enjoyed the border crossing to Germany and Poland, jumping over the line back and forth. What a change! What used to be an iron curtain during communist era is now just a border marker.

Of course we had a number of cultural event surprises. Together we enjoyed "Slapstick sonata:"

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ImPztORn-Ck>

and the best of Swan Lake ballet. Girls are taking dance lessons so it was fun for them and for us to imagine the beauty and abilities of new bodies in heaven. If you have two hours of time to watch the Kirov ballet, here it is:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9rJoB7y6Ncs>

Our day would not be complete without some historical and educational events. Boys had an outing with grandpa to the Planetarium, the Technical museum, Petrin observation tower and of course all the stops for ice cream, coke drink and other treats on the way. It is not easy to keep up with the boy's energy level. Most interesting was a mining museum in Příbram with an underground tour as well as a visit to one of the labor camps where a mix of political prisoners and the hardest criminals had to work in uranium mines. The kids enjoyed rides with public transportation, tram, subway and trains. Of course meeting with old friends was joyful event as well.

Filip and Lenka celebrated their 15th anniversary. At home we enjoyed authentic Sacher tort from Vienna and sent them to a chocolate museum. Actually they enjoyed three dates in town without the kids. There was much interaction between all of us. My tutor Jo, our adopted girl from Ethiopia, was constantly correcting my pronunciation of "three and tree". Her English vocabulary and linguistic intuition is just amazing. Since Babi does not speak English, Jo was the only one of the grandkids who communicated with her without any problem. At the village where Babi lives, the kids had a ball with a new family dog (huge one). We laughed that all four of the kids learned to give Aida, the new dog, commands only in Czech.

PRAISE AND PRAYER NEEDS

Thank you for standing with us, for your prayers, support and concerns.

- Praises for family time.
- In April the newest issue of our magazine came out and another book by J. A. Comenius, educator of nations, about pastoral ministry was published in new language. This is another milestone for our team.
- Please pray for our pastoral search. Finally we have a candidate. The general feeling in the congregation is that his preaching abilities are good. However, the question remains about his ability to manage the diversity of believers here. We missed his Sunday message since we were with the whole family in Usti, where our ministry partners are located.
- Pavel is finishing two of his books; that is his main ministry now. The rest of the team is going full speed ahead toward our summer schedule of Christian activities and outreach.

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