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THE STEIGER'S ELECTRONIC PRAYER AND PRAISE REPORT

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 know understanding: (Daniel 2:21)

GOD BLESS AMERICA

On the first day after presidential election shocking results Czech radio closed its morning commentary on recent victory of Donald Trump with playing "God Bless America." This was the first time since we are here that we heard on Public radio something like that. Another comment on the light side is that the new U.S. president knows where the Czech Republic is. Yes, he knows very well since his first wife Ivanka was Czech and their three children, Donald Jr., Ivanka and Eric speak some Czech. Czech's very controversial President Zeman sent congratulations and an official invitation for a President elect Trump state visit. At the present time the Czech establishment is slowly coming to their senses. We can expect some unexpected changes for the next four years.

You might notice that former Trump's wife Ivanka is interested in becoming the U.S. Ambassador to Czech Republic. In the past we had as Ambassador Shirley Temple. The present one is the main sponsor and proudly leads the Prague Gay Parade. We are sure that position of the new U.S. Ambassador will be very important since strategic negotiations about NATO future in Europe is a gigantic task.

Let us mention two Czech ladies with close connection to White House:

1. **Eliška Hašková–Coolidge** was a White House special Assistant through five U.S. Presidents. She was respectfully referred to as the „First Lady of Etiquette“. writing and editing for President John F. Kennedy. It was under Kennedy's successor, Lyndon B. Johnson that she established the Office of Presidential Messages, of which she served as Director and Special Assistant to the President for 18 years. In 1981, when President Ronald Reagan came into office and decided to keep his Director of Presidential Messages from his tenure as Governor of California, Coolidge – with the help of then Vice President, George H.W. Bush – moved to the U.S. Department of State. For the next nine years her roles included Special

Assistant to the Secretary of the State, Congressional Relations Officer for the Latin American Bureau, Assistant Chief of Protocol of the U.S. and Alternate Delegate to the Organization of American States.

2. Marie Jana Korbelová (Madeleine Albright) was the first woman to become the United States Secretary of State. She was nominated by U.S. President Bill Clinton on December 5, 1996, and was unanimously confirmed by a U.S. Senate vote of 99–0. She was sworn in on January 23, 1997.

We feel more secure with President Trump in the White House with hope that President Putin will not try to annex former East Europeans or Baltic countries as his empire crumbles. "The Trump effect" may cause some changes in Europe, especially in France, Italy, Austria, the Netherlands. After BREXIT (GB voting in referendum to leave Euro Union) and a new man in the White House can cause Euro Union structural problems and bureaucrats to listen more to objections from member countries as they are losing their sovereignty in the meantime. We will probably see global wave of unrest, more protests and angry people, however one thing is to express personal opposition in protest and another thing is vandalism and violence. We need to pray and truly believe that the Lord is enthroning and dethroning kings and rulers. We all need wise and responsible leaders in charge. To be a leader of world power is no easy task for anyone. He needs our prayers that we can live in peace in obedience to His words.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY

We celebrated the first anniversary of Biblical Church of Prague in new place. The small theater is different than most places where churches usually meet. Most of the walls are painted black. It is very informal, dark, a bit crazy but cozy place. At first glance it looks like some kind of theatrical squat but in positive way. We all were charged up and hope that time ahead of us will give us more reasons to grow. We are working on a short Youtube presentation to share with you.

OUR SILVER ANNIVERSARY IN MINISTRY

We never imagined that we can reach such milestone with Reach Beyond, formerly HCJB and HCJB Global. The Lord blessed us with the most fulfilling years and numerous friendships, prayer partners and faithful supporters. We started under leadership of Ron Cline, had the privilege to know Abe and Marge Van Der Puy, previous president. After Ron and Barb we served under Dave Johnson, Wayne Pederson and now under leadership of the president Steve Harling. It was a very wise decision to be introduced to Steve and his wife during a Reach Beyond Conference in Spain. He and Becky already met with approximately 2/3 of our missionaries, having traveled in Europe, Eurasia, Spain, Ecuador, and the U.S. Most of us remarked about his cross cultural experience, as he is a good listener, communicator, and sensitive leader. We hope and pray that under his leadership qualities, your prayers and our voice and hands will move us to reach beyond in our respective fields. This December it will be 85 years since first broadcasting in English and Spanish were received by six radio receivers in Ecuador. How close this is to biblical words:

The kingdom of heaven is like unto a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field: which indeed is less than all seeds; but when it is grown, it is greater than the herbs, and becometh a tree, so that the birds of the heaven come and lodge in the branches thereof. (Mt 13:31-32)

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

We never imagined what His call will bring to our life in 1989. Each one of you are part of His glorious patchwork in our lives; it became colorful and beautiful.

PAVEL'S BOOK

We are very close to publishing. At this time we would like to give you an opportunity to be key partner and special gift toward printing. Let us share with you how Pavel's first book which actually led to us being in ministry was published. While Pavel wrote the book *Battle for the Soul* we were wondering how we can finance and publish it bypassing any publisher. Many times Pavel said: "Even if I will have to sell my beloved Volkswagen to pay for the book I will do it." This is exactly what happened. We sold the car and added about \$150 to cover cost of printing. The first time we printed it in U.S. 2,000 prints and later print 15,000 more in then Czechoslovakia. This is how we ministry started our mission carrier. This led to publishing magazine with same name. Now, more than 26 years later, we are still publishing it. Our Lord used the book and magazine to save a number of people. All is His work! Now we hope and pray that the new Pavel's book "*I Will Not Give My Glory Unto Another*" will bring answers to theological questions not too many pastors and churches deal with. The first book was paper back having 208 pages; the new one will be hardcover having close to 400 pages.

BAPTIST YOUTH CONFERENCE

We are grateful that we were invited as a part of youth conference where Pavel was one of the speakers. We are encouraged that the new generation of Christians shows great potential. It is unbelievable that we can already see a third generation of some family names in action. What a joy and privilege to be part of their life.

OUR MAILING LIST

At this time we would like to thank all of you who showed interest in our Czech and Slovak ministries. Our mailing list is about 25 years old, quite extensive and expensive. It is time to do some adjustment and delete some addresses we had no contact in years. Thank you to those who are changing to e-mail communication. For some of you this will be the last prayer letter you will receive. We thank to all of you who remember our birthdays, anniversaries, holiday wishes and personal notes of encouragement. We will keep you and for you there will be no change – every other month you will receive our printed letter and if we have your e-mail address you will receive regular Prayer Letter and less formal Electronic Prayer letter. Those who would like to stay on our list only by e-mail (gmail) let us know. This way we can save some money as well. This means that you would hear from us on monthly basis.

THANKSGIVING WISHES

This is the nicest Holliday that is not celebrated here. We already know how we will celebrate it the next year Thanksgiving – Lord willing. Our daughter-in-law's brother married a Spokane girl. They live here in CZ. Her entire family plans to come next year for this special time to meet in our place. Our calendar for next year is filling fast.

Our hearts and prayers are with you all. Thank you for sharing with us your needs. We are one family of God.

PRAYER NEEDS

- Please pray for our winter conference in January. In February we will attend conference with Paul Washer, and so on it goes now till Thanksgiving.
- Pray for spiritual growth and increase in numbers so that we will become a self-sustaining body of believers in the near future.
- Please pray for those who are preaching and teaching in the sending church and sister churches praying for this church plant. Small and independent churches have to overcome many hurdles to exist.
- Please continue to pray for all of us. To build a body of believers with many needs is tedious work. We see how damaged are believers coming from liberal churches.
- Pray that the Lord will give us opportunities to reach the unreached.
- Please continue to pray for Slovak broadcasting, there are some interesting developments

Thank you for your faithfulness, participation and prayers. We need you more than ever.

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