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THE STEIGER'S ELECTRONIC PRAYER AND PRAISE REPORT

Be sure to fear the LORD and faithfully serve Him. Think of all the wonderful Things He has done for you. (1st Samuel 12:24)

LORD IS SO GOOD

The last four days of April Klara spent at Croatia Thrive Retreat in a beautiful hotel in Dubrovnik (formerly Yugoslavia). This was the 52nd retreat and over 4000 missionaries were already served. She had a US sponsor, Marry Ellen, a longtime friend we have known from Indonesia for 30 years. What a joy to be with someone she liked, knew her children and kept in touch for all those years. There were ladies coming from 34 countries, serving with 56 mission organizations. From the U.S. came 38 volunteers to spoil about 90 attendees. Since the first moment we were cherished and pampered. About one third of ladies came from countries where Christians are not welcomed. In the morning we had a special speaker session. What struck Klara right at the beginning was that Anna Hampton spoke about Jesus prayer in John's 17th chapter: Appeal to intimacy; Petition of Unity in Action and Request for Protection in the Battle. Just before Klara departed for Dubrovnik she finished the regular monthly supply translated messages from Pastor Cole that are broadcast by Czech Radio 7 (TWR).

In the afternoon the attendees had options to sign up for pampering experience: pedicure, color analysis, massage, counselling, prayer, hair, health counselling, art, computer help, photo, and of course time to be and interact with ladies serving in different parts of the world – as far as in Indonesia or as close as Austria and Macedonia. We had young moms with little children as well as grandmas; those who just started their mission assignment as well as those who served many years in really hard places. It is hard to imagine living in a mud hut on the top of the hill, or to be covered from head to toe, not able to walk outside at all, or seeing evacuation, kidnapping or killing people next to you. One of the events was sharing a funny story or experience in the field. Those who shared their stories were laughing so much that they could hardly talk. Mostly it was about conquering a new language, cultural differences or intimate embarrassing moments while in very primitive places. Day by day our burdens, pains and problems were melting away. We were daily lavished

with small gifts, special packages of treats from the U.S. and gift exchanges. Klara was overjoyed to link with volunteers from places where we lived, CO, CA, AZ. Arizona volunteers were especially great girls; since Tucson is a relatively small town, and there were so many connections, happy memories and great friendships were recalled. The goal of the Thrive Ministry is to encourage and empower global women to thrive and to be their advocate. Klara must say that it was a lifetime experience. Pictures express more than thousand words:

<http://photos.thriveministry.org/2017-Croatia-Retreat/2017-Croatia-Retreat-Volunteer-Staff-Attendees/>

Klara felt how much she has missed women fellowship and ministries at the retreat. During regular Sunday worship or Bible study there is not enough time to be together for mutual encouragement, loving and sharing. Only girls, ladies and grandmas can understand what Klara means.

„Dubrovnik, Croatia is the quintessential medieval city with both a European and Mediterranean feel. There are castles and cobbled streets, and beaches and sunshine. Dubrovnik has only recently started gaining popularity as a tourist destination and...” well Dubrovnik was on top list of Europeans for long time. Especially Eastern Europeans felt comfortable here since the languages are so close that we can understand each other with little effort.

Travel guide presentation: copy and insert in Google search, about 10 min.:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zbkRK2_Z-xI

PRAYING, SENDING, PLANTING AND REJOICING

Sunday May 21, our Prague Church had a joint fellowship in Ústí with churches from Kladno (Pavel used to preach there for almost a year) and Ústí. Kladno and Ústí Churches prayed for a few years for our Church plant in Prague. Ústí became the sending Church for Prague plant. Now we can worship twice a year and rejoice together our Lord's blessings. Rejoice with us.

PRAISES AND PRAYERS

- While Klara had a good time her computer underwent a major “surgery.” It was all reloaded and got a new graphic card. The monitor came back almost blank. She used to have many applications icons on, now they have to be restored one by one. This means that there will be some interaction between Klara's needs and Pavel's expertise.
- Please pray for Pavel's brother and his wife. Both of them have serious health issues and we are concerned about their spiritual condition.
- Letter from Canada: *“I do not know how to express my thanks for the link to your fellowship. I love Australian book titled “Jumping Over the Puddles Again” (The story of a boy, who contracts polio at the age of six, but whose resolve helps him overcome his debilitating condition and keep up with his peers). Now I can say „I am Attending Church Again“ thanks to the link you provided for me. Now I long so much to have communion. I did not partake for such long time.” Joseph K.*

- Pastor Ed Moore from Bayside NY and his daughter Madison made a day stop in Prague. What a joy to be together once again. We praise the Lord that we have faithful praying partners in NYC. Short video clip from perfect day:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fHZzSyWa1EU&t=15s>
- See the progress of our Bible Church in Prague:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UUHIWhzWSTk>

WHAT IS AHEAD OF US

May and June are usually months with many visitors mostly from the U.S. and Canada. Pavel had his cataract surgery on May 24-25. He is getting used to his HD vision. On May 30-31, we will travel with Geoff Volker from AZ to a small village of Javornik (Moravia) to deliver Geoff's message in an Evangelical Church that was founded in 16th century. It is older than the U.S.A. On June 11, we will baptize three new believers in our Prague Church. On June 18-25, we shall be in Slovakia with a group of believers from Brno where Pavel will deliver several messages.

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

In His Sovereign Grace
pavel and klara steiger

Good Morning Message from Reach Beyond family,

*It's simple. **Do this** and you'll be a success in the eyes of our Father:*

Fear the LORD. Faithfully serve. Gratefully reflect!

Our heavenly Father is not impressed with the size of our ministries or the breadth of our accomplishments. This is what he cares about. This is what He blesses:

Fear the LORD. Faithfully serve. Gratefully reflect!

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