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*I have written unto you, fathers,
because ye know him who is from the
beginning. I have written unto you,
young men, because ye are strong, and
the word of God abideth in you, and ye
have overcome the evil one.
(1 John 2:14)*

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**Dear Friends and Partners
Of the HCJB Global
Ministry to the Peoples
In Czech Republic and Slovakia**

SPRING IS HERE

Winter and gray dark days are over. What a nice early surprise we have. During the month of February it was very cold and we were quite busy as we ministered every weekend at different locations and occasions.

Our calendar it was filling up fast and in the span of a moment came an idea to have a grandma's spring break. We miss the family togetherness. With no family around and it is no fun, especially during



holidays. We have no reason for the season. This hit Klara especially hard.

Our first born son was turning 45 in March (half way to 90, as our grandchildren figured out). Our boys left home as they turned 18. Now our first born grandson is almost 12. In 6 years he will be ready to fly away from the nest as our kids did. Once again we realized how time flies.

Lenka, our daughter in law, gave Klara good reason to come to "help with home school" for a few weeks. First we said it would be nice and did not think much about it, but the idea was planted. This, and several other events and good reasons, led to the decision to take a spring break. First of all, the frequent flyer account needed some activity, otherwise Klara would lose some 67,000 accumulated miles. Also her International Driver's License expired. The largest and last reason was that Klara really missed the grandkids. All those reasons led to leave grandpa Pavel behind. The decision came very quickly during grocery shopping. When we came home from the supermarket, we looked at the internet, found air ticket for reasonable price, and three days later Klara was on the way. Pavel was looking forward to continuing his writing

project, preparing our Czech tax returns and visiting friends in Ostrava. How little we knew. When Pavel returned from his last program recording in Brno, he carried home a flu bug. Klara was exposed to it for just one night. In the morning she flew for Boston, and in Paris she had felt what was coming on her. During the flight between Paris and Boston she was “comatose”. As she got out of the plane she was hardly able to put one sentence together. Instead of enjoying the grandkids, she had voluntary flu isolation and bed rest for the whole week. Instead of helping she was being helped. The following week she was functioning on half strength and speed. Two of the grandkids got the flu bug too, but they perked back to normal much faster. To make the story short, she was out of circulation half the time she was there staying in the house. The rest of the time was wonderful. Klara got really close to the girls. She read their favored books over and over, played a memory game hundreds of times—being beaten up every time, made snacks and treats, hugged, talked and cherished our time together. The boys already live in a different dimension, so at this time grandma is mostly good for making more snacks and preparing the tea. They read on their own, what they like, and play the games she has no clue about.

Klara did not expect wonderful spring days in New Hampshire so early. After two snowfalls it appeared suddenly one day to the next. For her recovery warm sun was like balm. We all had a wonderful time together while Pavel was slowly recovering alone at home in Prague, with a dose of antibiotics, trying to finish his writing project, taxes and staying around the house.

BROADCASTING IN SLOVAKIA

Our broadcasting in Slovakia has been on the air for 10 years. More than 500 messages were recorded and broadcasted. We Praise the Lord for Milan and his faithful service. He has a full time job and a very understanding family. As of March, TWR has three FM frequencies on the air in Slovakia, including the one that Milan started. Instead of rejoicing, we and the Christian listeners are disappointed with the new Slovak FM station’s format that is supposed to be focused on unbelievers and searching people. Here is one of many listeners’ reactions:

✉ *I have to say with a great regrets that I am very sad. I repeat, I am very sad that as of March 12, we lost the protestant station in Banská Bystrica [Milan Hudec was the one who put it on the air]. This was the only protestant broadcasting medium in Slovakia. Catholics have TV Lux, TV Noe, and radio Lumen. We Protestants have now nothing! [HCJB Global does buy broadcasting time on radio Lumen.] Now we have some kind of radio with “warm music” no one understands (mostly in English), and no one will listen to it. I am so sorry to say that we lost the first and only FM Radio station we had. I trust that the Lord will find another way to reach those who need to hear the truth instead of some camouflaged ballast... What a pity that everything spins around finances and the focus on the Gospel is lost to inferior moral and ethical ideas.*

We and Milan especially are sad. We will continue to buy broadcasting time on Radio Lumen. Ours at this time is to pray and wait, if listeners’ reactions will bring some change to the Slovak TWR FM broadcasting format. Their goal is to reach young generation of nonbelievers with mu-

sic. Our goal is to reach anyone with clear message of salvation. Here are some reactions from listeners:

LETTERS AND EMAILS

✉ **Janka:**

*Hello and good day dear editors,
I was very impressed by the last program broadcasted on Radio Lumen. If possible I would ask you to email me the link number of the program. Thank you. I pray for lots of His blessings in your ministry and work which is very useful to many. Janka.*

✉ **Ján:**

*Greetings to all speakers and editors,
I listen regularly to your messages on Radio Lumen. They really talk to my heart, especially those which instruct us how to talk to unbelievers. Can you send me text by e-mail? It is nice to reiterate the ideas I heard. Thank you. Ján.*

✉ **J.K.:**

Great message. Very informative, logical, and supported by the Scripture. It would be good if you publish this series in the form of a book or study guide. Best wishes, your listener J.K.

✉ **J.F. Košice:**

*Dear Radio,
This morning's message was one of the best I have ever heard. I will be much better equipped to answer difficult and important questions. Thank you and best wishes. Have a peaceful Sunday's afternoon. With love yours J.F.*

✉ **Marek**

Thank you for today's message. Continue in evangelization!!!! Can I help in some way? I am a listener from Košice, Marek

✉ **Listener S.:**

Thank you for the healing words I just listened to. I am encouraged and motivated to go and share the Gospel with lost people around me.

*Thank you,
your grateful listener S.*

✉ **Daniela:**

*Dear brothers of HCJB Global,
I am grateful from my heart for your answer which gave me great comfort. Thank you also for your offer to mail me more printed materials. Certainly I would like to receive more from your published literature, which will be useful to me and to my three grown up children. Your broadcasting is sure helpful for spiritual orientation. Once more, thank you, and I pray for His blessings on your behalf.
Your listener Daniela with family*

✉ **Daniela:**

*Greetings to you,
I was listening to Radio Lumen this morning. I have to admit that I listened with "half an ear" while I was preparing Sunday lunch. The topic of false prophets caught my attention. I really want to hear or read the message one more time.
Thank you, your listener
Daniela from Bratislava*

✉ **Mária:**

Dear friends, your broadcasting about God's word really touched me. I wish you many of His blessings upon all your future work. Sincerely, yours sister in Christ Mária.

✉ **Marek:**

*Thank you. Continue doing the good work.
Marek from Košice*

✉ **Anton:**

Is it possible to buy a CD with your messages? We are interested to hear the Word that can save us. Your listener Anton S. from Zlaté Moravce

✉ **Listener from Oščadnice:**

Excellent programs, great moderation and supporting Bible verses. Listener from Oščadnice

✉ **Dagmar:**

Thank you for this morning's message. Blessings to all who are part of this broadcasting. Your regular listener Dagmar

PRAISES

- On February 26th we had our annual board meeting and the first planning session for the conference in Brno next January. We set publishing and broadcasting goals for this year. Many great ideas and new outreach efforts are in the planning stages.
- Our Slovak programs are going to be broadcast in Serbia to the Slovak minority living there. We just talked to Vladimir Majersky while he was visiting Slovakia. Since we saw him the last time in Los Angeles many years ago, their children got married and they already have 12 grandchildren.
- For the opportunity to spend days with our grandkids. Klara had an absolutely great time of rest and took some video reporting for Pavel and their maternal grandma.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- Georgina's (the founder of Czech SW broadcasting in Quito) radiation was completed. She is an incredible ex-

ample of courage. Now she is recovering and gaining strength. Georgina has to return to Houston April 9-11 for a round of tests and scans similar to the set carried out prior to surgery. These will be compared to the originals to confirm that the surgery and treatment have eliminated the cancer.

- Pray for our pastor Daniel's reoccurrence of bone marrow cancer. We pray that he will be admitted to special experimental program of new treatment his doctor recommends.
- For a broadcasting license in CZ.
- For Milan and FM broadcasting in SK.

HAPPY EASTER TO ALL

Thank you for reading, listening, praying and helping to carry this task with us.

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