



let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing before you well. This Jesus is the stone that was rejected by you, the builders, which has become the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.
(Acts 4:10-12)

**HOME MINISTRY MARCH 2024
DEAR FRIENDS AND PARTNERS OF
THE REACH BEYOND THE PEOPLES
OF CZECHIA AND SLOVAKIA**

March is a month of hope and we all look forward to spring with longer sunny days, blossoming trees, and the rebirth of green. This month we approach the resurrection of Christ in the celebration of Easter.

The February conference "The Splendor of Christ's Glory" exceeded all expectations. The auditorium was filled to capacity. The reunion with brothers and sisters from different congregations, past and present co-workers, and new encounters with participants from different parts of the

country was a reward for many years of missionary ministries.

The greatest joy and satisfaction is that the media and magazine publishing ministry we brought to Czechoslovakia after the fall of communism continues. Only in retrospect do we realize that our return from the U.S. was a breath of fresh air for the local church. At that time, we were one of the few multilingual believers. Because we had not grown up in the local church, we had a lot to share, and our experiences from America, Indonesia, and mission work in Ecuador were refreshing.

Nowadays, knowledge of English is common among the younger generation. Many have had the opportunity to travel abroad, study in England or America, and attend various seminars and conferences in neighboring countries. This was not possible in the past.

Our greatest joy is that over the years, new believers have joined our efforts and several new churches are actively involved in various ways.

The general spiritual atmosphere in the post-communist countries and in the European Union is not good at all. It is sad to see that the world has penetrated not only society, but also the Church. At this time, as the "special operation" in Ukraine continues not far from us, most of the former Soviet satellites, believers and non-believers alike, have shown solidarity with those who have lost their homes because of the war situation. Over 4 million Ukrainian refugees, mostly mothers, children and the elderly, have found safety in neighboring countries. The question arises as to why similar solidarity is not being shown in the Middle East to the mothers and children of those in the hotbed of violence and terrorist attacks.

Our days are filled with work and research. Pavel is writing another book. Klara continues to collect facts related to the broader family history during the Protectorate. This month marks the 85th anniversary of the Treaty of Munich. Instead of peace in Europe, the betrayal of the Allies, which allowed the occupation (takeover) of Czechoslovakia by Nazi Germany, led to the beginning of the Second World War. Between March 16, 1939 and May 1945, the establishment of concentration camps, genocide of Jews, arrests and executions of civilians in Czechoslovakia resulted in millions of deaths worldwide and the rise of communism.

In our free time, we look with interest at historical documents from the time of our parents and grandparents. It is unbelievable how similar the contemporary thinking of the present is to those events. The world lives in a constant state of war; peace and tranquility are only temporary. What is happening to the east of us or in the Middle East is a dangerous game with fire.

With all this in mind, we follow with interest historical documents from World War II, a time our parents and grandparents lived through. It is almost unbelievable how the whole conflict started and ended. The reality is that anything can happen in our days again. Humanity is unteachable and implacable in its evil.

What characterizes our days is similar to the biblical days of Noah:

- *For as were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the*

coming of the Son of Man. (Matt. 24:37-39)

MARCH PRAISE AND PRAYER REQUEST

On the brighter side, we are looking forward to the family reunion and attending the wedding of our grandson Samuel to Emily on the last day of May. We already have air tickets. We are looking forward to our trip to America.

- Pavel is currently writing another book.
- Pavel's brother Ivan was diagnosed with a tumor on his jawbone. Surgery is scheduled for March 18. We are concerned about his spiritual condition and his ability to understand.
- David, Ivan's grandson, just graduated from medical school. He started working in the pediatric surgery ward. The last time we talked to him, he mentioned that he bought a Koran and a Bible to compare. We pray for his salvation.

Thank you for your prayers, support and participation in our life and Czech and Slovak ministries. In His sovereign grace.

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