

Barlows - Slovenia

Monte • Krista • Chelsea • Nicholas • Micah • Philip

January/February 2011

Dear Pastor and Church,

The last two months have been a roller coaster of activity for us. We put a lot of effort into our newest area to meet in Kranj. We prayed before each distribution that the material would find open and ready hearts. We blanketed the area with invitations in mailboxes, handed out personal invitations, and put up signs all over. On the day of our first meeting, we had three people attend and all three of these were contacts that we already had. We were initially disappointed about the almost 500 invitations handed out that yielded no results, but we know that God is still on the Throne and that He is still desirous to work in the lives of the Slovenian people. It has really challenged us to be even more creative with our outreach and interpersonal relationships.

While we have not seen new contacts from the change of venue, we have seen some amazing things happen with those who are coming. In the last prayer letter I asked you to pray for Mojca. Thank you to those who have because we have seen so much excitement in her concerning our meetings. She is really learning Bible truths that she has never heard at the catholic church. Her light is coming on and that is so wonderful to see in someone. **Please do continue to pray for Mojca.** Also, **pray for Joe.** Joe is on a spiritual journey. He has been told what the Word of God says about salvation through Jesus Christ many times. Intellectually he knows the Truth, but it has yet to penetrate his heart and cause him to place his faith and trust in Christ.

One believer that meets with us, Simona, is really trying to get her husband involved. As I said in the last letter, he is an atheist. We would ask that you **continue to pray for Andrej J.** Also **pray for Andrej D.** He is Joe's brother and he is opening up more with every encounter. Like most people in Slovenia, it is difficult for him to lay aside the beliefs that he has held for more than 30 years, but I see him giving us room to present the Truth.

Our beginning of the second work in Ljubljana has been pushed back a few weeks because of some unavoidable issues, but we look forward to starting that in the next week or so, so **please pray for God to guide us in making that happen.**

On a different note, because of difficulties with making a language tutor work out well for us, we have enrolled in a formal language school. We hope that this will finally be the thing that puts everything we have learned to this point into the right place and it all comes together.

Finally, as many missionaries around the world would ask, please do remember all your missionaries when it comes to finances. Many of you are facing difficult financial situations and we know that. When it is difficult in the United States and Canada, it is even more difficult on the foreign field. Our costs are usually double of those in North America when it comes to fuel, food, and most everything else. We have prepared for these times as much as we can. What your missionaries would appreciate is prayer concerning finances. No one wants to come off of the field for financial reasons.

The instability in the world has all the hallmarks of prophetic end times and there is no promise of it getting any better. We are taking advantage of that with every conversation with the lost in Slovenia. Just keep praying. Your prayers move God. I know that. I have seen it happen here already and we thank you sincerely for it.

May the Lord richly bless,

The Barlows

Visit us at WWW.SLOVENIAMISSIONS.COM

Email Address:
monte@slovenia
missions.com

Clearinghouse:
Global Ind. Bapt. Miss.
602 Manco Road
Lewisville TX 75067

Sending Church:
Bible Baptist Church
PO Box 1985
Stillwater OK 74076