

Barlows - Slovenia

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Dear Pastor and Church,

So much to report this time! We started our Bible study in Kranj and have had some success. The first week, we had 9.5 people (I say that because one of our guests walked in, looked around, stood in the back and looked at our material and then left). We have steadily grown to have as many as 16, while the average is about 10. Up to this point, no one that we have talked to on the street during our tract distributions has attended, but God is blessing the effort. To illustrate how we know that, read what God has done.



Recent picture of the adults in our Bible Study minus Joe who is taking the picture.

I got an email from a complete stranger a few weeks ago who lives here in Slovenia. Boštjan is a college student and some time back was introduced to conspiracy theory videos through a friend. After discovering that perhaps Catholicism is a sham, he decided to dig into the Bible and discover what it really says. This led him to other websites and eventually to becoming completely overwhelmed with the Truth of God's Word. After watching several webcasts of preaching messages on the internet, Boštjan came to the conclusion that he was not a child of God and needed to be. He asked God to forgive him and save him, but did not know anyone else who was like himself now. He researched online and eventually emailed a website called amazingbible.org. This website, which I have no affiliation with, replied to his email with my contact information. Boštjan emailed me and asked if I was a "Bible-only Baptist." Of course I said, "Absolutely!" After visiting with Boštjan several times to confirm his salvation, he is expressing a desire to be baptized before I could even talk about it. **Boštjan is pictured above, third from the right. We hope to have his baptism service in the next few weeks.** God is good and blesses our efforts, sometimes directly, other times, indirectly.

On another note, Krista is currently in the U.S. dropping off our oldest child, Chelsea, at Heartland Baptist Bible College. We are excited for her and her continued spiritual growth there in Oklahoma, but this will also be a difficult time for us to be separated by so far a distance. **Pray for Chelsea and us in this time of transition.**

Also, our good friend **Joe**, who we have known since our first week in Slovenia and is not a believer is having a difficult time in his life. **Pray for him, that we can be to him what he needs and help him to find the peace that only Jesus can bring through salvation.**

We also have several projects that need translation and printing so pray for these needs as well.

May the Lord richly bless,

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