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Dear Pastor and Church, September/October 2026

In the previous letter I mentioned that it was very hot in America (it was). Now being back in Slovenia with temperatures in the 30s in the mornings and 50s in the afternoons with snow in the mountains feels just right for this time of year. We are grateful!

A few weeks ago, we received a contact response form from our church website. That has *never* happened before. A young lady named Anja (pronounced Onya) was reaching out to us in hopes of learning more about a real relationship with God. I immediately responded back to her and she indicated that she would try to come to our Sunday morning meeting. In conversations with people on the streets, we have had many indicate they would come and *most* do not follow through.

That Sunday morning meeting came and we always start with testimony of answered prayers and blessings. I told of the blessing that Anja had reached out. Others spoke of their blessings as well then we moved into our time of singing. During that time, I get a call – it was Anja, and she was trying to find her way into the building. Hallelujah! She sat with an eager look on her face the entire meeting and I was eager to get to sit down with her and my wife after the service to get to the heart of her need. Unfortunately, she had to leave a little early to catch a bus and we did not get that chance. We have stayed in contact with her but she has yet to be able to return. **Please pray for Anja and that we would have the chance to sit down with her to help her in her need of peace with God.**

The Youth Bible Study has absolutely blown up! Two weeks ago, each of the faithful young men that attend every week brought someone; one brought 3 others! They were all very attentive to the lesson that fellow missionary Eli Cook is leading right now. Any sustained development in reaching Slovenia will undoubtedly come through the young people and it sure does excite this old missionary to see the faithfuls have a burden for the people around them. **Please do continue to pray for the Youth Bible Study and for all the people who are coming and for their outreach to even more young people.**

Thank you for joining us in praying for Bible Baptist Church in Stillwater, our sending church. On October 11th Bible Baptist Church voted Brother Tom Gibson in to become the next pastor and he accepted. I know the church is excited to move past the challenges of this year and we trust that God has great blessings in store for Bible Baptist Church moving forward. **Pray for the Pastor Gibson and his family as they transition into the pastorate in Stillwater.**

Until next time, May the Lord richly bless you as you serve Him,

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