

Dear Friends,

So much has happened since the last time we had a chance to write to you. So, here we go!

We started this year with a week of prayer and fasting with our church. Since then we have dedicated Wednesday nights to prayer for the churches in the country and for our church. Many of our prayers were answered already. Here is one of the major ones!☺



After a 3 year process we are now a state registered Church. It took lots of meetings, prayer and patience. On the 3rd of October we will have a big celebration together with the other New Hope Churches. We really see God's hand in all of this. Somehow the door was opened by the Czech Government to apply for the Church status, which is not possible in other EU Countries at this time. So we are so thankful to God and so excited about our future in this Nation. Jerry has been now officially appointed as Bishop over the 9 Churches. We are still amazed at how God brought us to this point.

At the same time more doors of relationships with other church groups across the country are opening for us. God spoke to us about these things many years ago through different words and prophecies we received. We want to do everything we can to help bring unity and to build bridges in the body of Christ.

During Easter we started putting names of Family members, friends and Colleges on our wooden cross in Church. Well, the numbers have grown and our cross is now totally covered with little papers. Every Wednesday and every Sunday we pray for those people. Last Sunday we baptized one of the coworkers of a church member who came to Christ. A brother that had been gone for 4 years returned home to our church and new sister was also baptized. Some of the moms that come to our Kids clubs started asking questions about God. There have been changes in families that were totally against hearing or talking about Christ. Now there is peace and they are open to talk.



We were there, we were blessed!

In May we had a powerful "Vision Conference" with leaders from Poland and Hungary and Czech Republic in Attendance. Then in June we did our first "Time of Refreshing" for Czech Pastors, what an amazing time we had. Here are a couple testimonies from participants.

A&S. M. wrote

Dear Jerry and all TOR organizers, we would like to express our gratitude for the possibility to spend those few blessed days at TOR stay in Dlouhy. It was very refreshing for our faith, marriage relationship and the courage to ministry. One of the highlights of this stay was the opportunity to meet and

fellowship with pastors couples from other churches. We do hope to continue in long term relationships with many of them and just having these personal contacts now available is so strengthening.

When I tried to explain what we experienced to some people who asked us it was so hard. I just heard myself and my wife saying: it was so good, so relaxing, so open. We have four children and get away together alone as a couple is difficult so it happens rarely and as well there are financial limits. So again, I would like to thank all those who made it possible and financially supported this stay. There was something special in the fact that the whole stay (and not only the rose gifts :) was a gift to us. It really brought special and precious thoughts during the time and after.

We had several difficult years in our ministry and many spiritual bruises. I have to say honestly that we could experience spiritual healing here and renewing of our vision. Thanks God for that.

Our special thanks we would like to express to Jerry, Ulli and the whole team of servants. The teaching was clear, profound and unity bringing. The worship time was just wonderful...



Our fantastic team, which made this event so great.

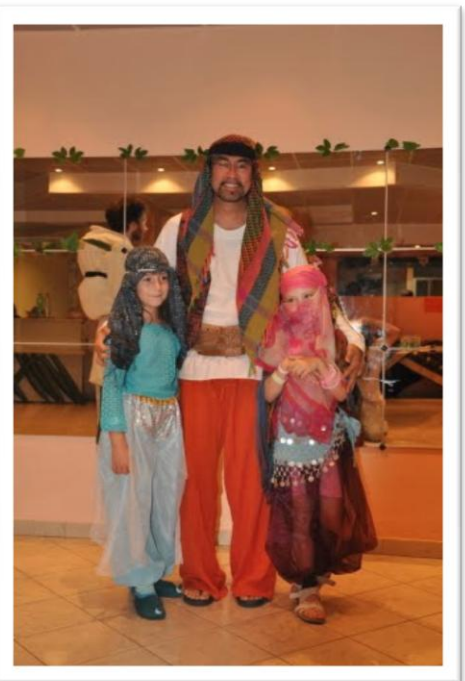
M&E O. wrote

Thank you, thank you, thank you – these three thank you are from me, my wife, and our church. We would like to thank you for making this possible. I know that in this time of "crisis" some people quit sowing, but you did not. I believe that for you it will be like with Isaac (Gn 26:1;12) – you have sown in this time and I believe that great harvest is coming your way.

It was great time for us and we were

greatly refreshed. We have received great care, nice gifts, and it was wonderful. At first it was kind of "hard" to come to meeting and not do anything, except worshipping Lord and enjoying the care and word, but we quickly adjusted. Our vision and desire to continue in serving was renewed. To put it simply: we were greatly blessed. It would be hard for me now to pinpoint one thing, because I think overall from Wednesday evening till Saturday lunch it was great time. So again thank you and be blessed, receive hundred fold returns for what you have planted here in Czech Republic.

We also prayed for our annual English day camp/ VBS and prepared an Adventure Indiana Jones Style. A big team from our church and young people from two of our other churches from Moravia joined to make this camp an educational but also very spiritual experience. As the Kids hunted for the Lost Treasure, they discovered the makers love for them. They found out that they are the lost treasure and that Jesus gave his life get them back. Our Life Center (also our church home) was transformed into an Amazon jungle, a London Dungeon and the Sahara Desert with an awesome Bedouin tent. And guess who was greeting the kids by the entrance of his tent? Ali-Bubu (Jerry), the story teller. He read to the kids from the old scrolls, discovered truths from the ancient book of wisdom and "anointed" their eyes to be able to see the truth and the treasure. Toward the end of the week the kids had a chance to write their names on a scroll. Many signed that they had already made the decision to receive new life from God. Some of these kids will continue to come to our afternoon English Club, where they will also be taught biblical foundations.(In this same club are also kids ages 7-15 that have come for the last 2 years after attending English camp). We also had a great time talking to the parents at our Camp Party. We had wonderful, open conversations about God and the Christian faith. The Editor of the local Prague 9 News Magazine wrote a great article about the Camp and our Life Center in their paper. Even the message the kids heard during the camp was printed for everyone to read. To us this is truly amazing and we are so thankful to God that he is giving us so much favor.



Now the Program at the Life Center is in full swing and all the kids clubs are going. We will have to add another Cub for the 3-6 year old, because there are so many kids and more parents are asking to get a chance for a place for their child.

Ulli will also start a Preschool program for 3-6 year old on two days a week. Eventually we want to open up a Christian Kindergarten with an English Program, but we have to start somewhere and build it up over time. But since we have no windows in our building, we cannot do a full day program for the kids here. Having a kindergarten fits right into our vision to raise a righteous generation. Daily contact with the kids and parents will give us more opportunities to show the love of Jesus.

If you would like to see lots of pictures of our Activities at the Life Center please go to our Gallery at www.v-life-center.com

Please join us and pray with us for our next building. We really feel that it is time for us to have a permanent church home as well as a nice Community center where we can do all the things we want to do for families. There is a piece of land right in our area that is actually zoned for our purposes. Part of it belongs to the city, part of it to a building company. This land is in a perfect location, right beside the park where lots of families come to play with their kids. It will take a big miracle to get this land as well as finances to build on it. We also have the opportunity to buy a building 10 minutes drive from our present location, which would make a great church home. So, at this point we are praying and asking God for wisdom and favor in what we should do. We all agree that the money we spend each month for the rent of our present facility would be better spent on getting our own place. We have one more year left in our lease contract and Sunday services are starting to get a little crowded. What a nice problem. ☺

Thank you so, so much for your help and your partnership with us. You have been so much involved in what is happening here. Thank you for praying, thank you for giving financially to us. Thank you for your friendship and support for so many years. Together we are reaching people for Jesus here in the Czech Republic. Lives are saved and changed. Children grow up knowing and receiving the love of God. Together we are building a strong foundation of faith for generations to come.

Psalm 78,4, 7 and 8 "We will not hide these truths from our children, but we will tell the next generation about the glorious deeds of the Lord...**So each generation can set its hope anew on God!.....Then they will not be** like their ancestors- stubborn, rebellious, and unfaithful, refusing not give their hearts to the Lord."

We are looking forward to hopefully see you in the USA February next year.

Blessings to you and your family and churches

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