

Dear Pastor and Church,

May/June 2023

Well, I have to start this letter with this news; Krista and I are now very proud grandparents! On June 11 in the early morning hours, Genevieve Mae Barlow was born at RAF Lakenheath base hospital in England. She and her mother Grace and doing very well and our son Micah is one proud father! At the end of June, Krista and I drove to England to see this precious little blessing. We are so overwhelmed with God's goodness in a safe and healthy delivery and want to say thank you to those who prayed for this.

While driving back from England, I dropped Krista off at the airport in Frankfurt Germany to fly back to the States to be with our daughter, Chelsea, who is due to deliver in September, while her husband is on a military deployment and will not arrive back until just before the birth. We would greatly appreciate your prayers for another safe and healthy delivery; this time for Chelsea.

Concerning the work, I continue to hand out invitations in downtown Ljubljana. Again, we have not seen anyone come because of those but I have had opportunities to speak to people directly about the hope that is in me with others; in these cases, two different men who work as security for the building our church is in. One of them, Ibrahim, sat down with me and we had a two-hour conversation and he has invited me to his home to continue on this subject. The other I just met, but I was still able to get beyond the surface greetings into deeper subjects of why we are here and how we differ from the catholic church. His name is **Štefan**. **Please pray for these men and for more opportunities to talk to people.**

On a disappointing note, the folks who had spontaneously contacted me or who had simply seen our sign and walked in, have not returned in several weeks. We have begun the summer months here in Slovenia and much like the rest of Europe, now is the time for everyone to take their vacations and go to the seaside. July and August are always the worst for this and it always has an impact on the attendance. But we have not stopped going out to give invitations and talk to people.

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Finally, I can now name the young family that has publicly surrendered to the call of Slovenia. Elijah and Mackenzie Cook, with their two small children, Kayleigh and Ezra, from Liberty Baptist Church in Lewisville Texas will be coming to spend a month here in Slovenia on a survey trip in October and November. Please pray for them for all the details involved with the preparation for this trip. Please also consider scheduling them to come and present their burden for Slovenia beginning in 2024. We need the help!

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

