



Dear Pastor and Church,

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Every time we come back, we see America differently. In my almost 52 years of life, I have never seen the United States so divided. It's obvious to say that about the political arena, but what is just as divided is the state of spiritual decline in America. I had read that the churches here were in a state of slumber; so numbed by the agenda of those who hate God and anyone who stands with Him. May that never describe we who fully understand that there is no second line of defense beyond us; who stand firm and true upon the promises of the living God!

Those of you who read our letters faithfully will remember the names, Samo and Sonja. They are the couple that just started coming to our Bible Study in Ljubljana a few months before we left. I was anxious to see how they would respond to our leaving just as they were getting involved and learning. They were so excited before we left. I just recently got a message from them that surprised me. They wanted to know the date that we would be back and then they told me that they will be getting married! They have been together for almost 20 years and have two children together. I had assumed they were already married. Samo said that he wanted to be married because it would please God and they planned it for the weekend after we get back because they want me to do the religious part, using his words, "so that it is valid to God." We are so excited about the growth in this couples life. We talked about salvation just before we left and ask that you join us in praying for them.

So far, we have been through 17 states in our furlough travels and we are very grateful for your prayers for us. We are not finished yet, but the traveling will taper off over the next few weeks. Up to this point, we have been in 5 new churches with some of them already voting to partner with us in reaching Slovenia. That is such a blessing to us because of the financial difficulties that some of our partners are suffering currently. We never take for granted the sacrifice that is made to support us to be in Slovenia

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

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