



Central/Eastern Europe Report

Westminster Biblical Missions

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Greetings to our faithful co-laborers in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The Gospel continues to go forth in Transylvania. Here is a month-by-month report of just some of things God is doing.

JULY

The church's Sunday services have gone as usual, with two services every Sunday. They were blessed by new families visiting. Preparations were made for the upcoming children's camp which was held in the middle of August. The Tókos family was visited and they are doing really well. Everything is coming together well for them. They gather together each Sunday for a Bible study. Sándor succeeded in buying the building next to him which is perfect for the services. A good time of fellowship was shared.

There are plans to visit Zoltan Pall and his family in Hungary. These meetings are in the hope that they may move forward together with their services. István looks forward to his meeting with his Ukrainian brothers with whom we have many plans and work together. It is my hope that God will bless each of these endeavors.

AUGUST

Praise the Lord, August was a really beautiful and fruitful month. Istvan was thankful that they could hold our children's camp before the fourth wave of Covid has hit. Everything is going well at the church. Sunday service is held every week and a lot of families have been in attendance. The greatest event was the children's camp. There was a lot of rain predicted for

the 30th and 31st, but it didn't rain at all on those days, only in the evenings. There were concerns that due to the Covid situation, there wouldn't be many children. But here too, God worked wonders. On the first day, there were 42 children and, on the second day, there were 60. Istvan said he has never worked with so many children before and it was absolutely amazing.

It was apparent from the videos that the children really enjoyed the camp and being together again after a year and a half. The atmosphere was very friendly. The children have really missed being in this type of environment. Sadly, all the other Bible camps for children were canceled this summer. There were concerns that they would be prohibited from meeting by the government, but this is not at all

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what happened. In fact, they were given assistance with the meeting place and were provided with a nurse who measured temperatures and was on hand if anyone needed help.

István said “I have never felt so recognized and appreciated before. I have received many letters from the parents and have been held in high esteem by many people. God’s hands were really on those two days. We are thinking that, if the schools reopen, we will start a regular children’s program. Emőke, Emese and their friends were a great help.”

SEPTEMBER

The forth wave of COVID starting to hit in September. There is hope that the government will not close everything again. The services are going in the regular form, every Sunday with two services. In the



Pastor István

last month István had the chance to meet a lot of people and visit some families too. István and the church there are believing in God’s plan and purposes.

OBSERVATIONS AND PLANS

As I noted in the previous report, the need to travel to the field is still pressing, but it is virtually impossible to plan a return considering the travel restrictions (both outbound and inbound) and the situation is extremely fluid as you can see. I will travel to the field as soon as possible, but in the meantime, I would also like to note that István has been faithful in keeping me apprised of the circumstances there.

Even though there have been many challenges, news from the field continues to be very encouraging in the midst of very trying circumstances. István’s diligence in the work is very encouraging and at present I think he is doing all he can do. In fact, he seems energized by the challenge. As you can see, the virus restrictions have opened up other opportunities. István’s response to the success of the children’s outreach is encouraging. It was a success in its own right, but he recognizes that he is becoming less of an outcast in the village. Also, I will be monitoring the contacts with those in Ukraine. When I do travel to the field, I have every intention to include a visit there. We should praise God for His blessing here, but also continue to pray that the seeds being sown now will come to quick fruition.

All for Him,

Rev. Doug Schlegel, Field Chairman



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