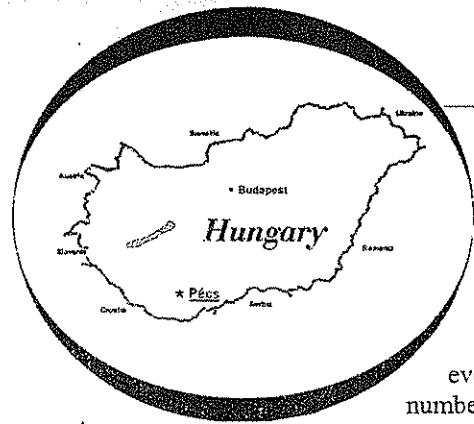


“When You’re Hungry, PRAY for Hungary!”



The Knies Family in Hungary

“For He satisfieth the longing soul and filleth the Hungry soul with goodness.”

December 2007

Dear Praying Friends:

Since our return to Hungary in late August, God has been wonderfully answering PRAYER – even working miracles! These have been unprecedentedly busy and blessed months with a number of souls saved and a new church begun. Many in our supporting churches are getting a week by week account of all the blessings. You can also receive these weekly e-mail updates, the *Hungarian Munchies*, by sending me your e-mail address to knies@dravanet.hu to get on the list.

Our church rejoiced to see 75 people attend our two Friend Days in September. Each Sunday saw seven new visitors. God is blessing the evangelistic vision and effort of our people. God gifted our church and Bela and Emilia Horvath with the birth of a son (Ferenc) on September 23. Ferenc has become a real charmer. Bela is preparing to be our prospective national pastor. PRAISE the Lord that EIGHT souls have received Christ either in our church services or in their homes during the past few months. Please PRAY for Miklos Reti, the husband of our newest member. He attends occasionally but has not yet been saved.

One of the exciting blessings has been the embryonic commencement of the Lighthouse Baptist Church in Nagykanizsa, Hungary. Our coworkers, Gedeon Olah and his family, are leading this effort. I have had the privilege of being at seven of the first eight weekly meetings. Praise the Lord that FOUR souls have already been saved in this new church plant. I was privileged to be the first special speaker last week. God blessed the preaching as four hands were raised concerning their salvation, and two souls were saved.

God has reminded the entire church of His grace and control in our lives from day to day. Lajos Makura, a faithful church member, was involved in a very serious car accident and sustained critical head injuries. The doctors gave him little chance to survive, much less walk or function again. THOUSANDS of people across the world started PRAYING, and after two and a half weeks, Lajos miraculously recovered, received his mental faculties back, and was discharged from the hospital to convalesce at home. In the midst of the unfolding medical drama, God used the testimony of healing to strengthen Rita, Lajos’ wife. This resulted in the salvation of her relatives, Jozsef and Timea Balog. I just led Jozsef to Christ last evening at his kitchen table.

God is blessing our Bible-institute ministry. Dr. David Potter taught Revelation in September with a record number of 18 students. Please PRAY for the Potters who are on a medical furlough in the USA to determine the cause and treatment of Jean Potter’s illness. Progress has been made, and we expect their return in early January. I began teaching Biblical Discipleship in October and November. The class was divided into four groups who each developed a discipleship plan for real or prospective churches. A great milestone was that Bela Horvath completed his graduation requirements for the Bible institute.

Thank you for PRAYING for Maxine Quintana, Valerie’s mother. She has successfully completed a full regimen of radiation treatments in her battle with cancer and was able to return to church. Please keep PRAYING for Valerie’s health; she always contends with nagging health problems that sap her strength. We were thankful to be able to send Anna and Mary to a missionary teen retreat in northern Spain last week. Both were refreshed and spiritually challenged. James has completed his fifth semester at MBBC where he is majoring Pastoral Studies. God has provided for him to come home for Christmas.

PRAISE the Lord we received a THREE-year extension on our residence visas to stay in Hungary.

We will host Brother David Bushy this weekend as he teaches our married couples in meetings in our home. This Sunday will be our first ever Faith Promise Sunday for missions giving. The church is also very busy with many rehearsals to prepare for the Christmas concerts in churches and in the community. This Christmas time, please remember the many evangelistic outreaches in Hungary, and please don’t forget: “When You’re Hungry, PRAY For Hungary!”

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