

"Preach the gospel, die and be forgotten."
- Count Zinzendorf.



Dear Friends and Family,

We are alive and well in Eastern Poland. God continues to bless and sustain us. Last week Sarah and I left our kids at home alone and took off for two days. We returned home, not only to find all the children had survived, but that they had also cleaned the apartment from top to bottom.

There is one specific matter that I would ask you to pray about. We recently became aware of a new law which states that anyone who resides in Poland for more than 182 days in a calendar year is responsible to pay Polish income tax on all their income, regardless of the country of origin. This would be a significant amount each month that we have no room for in our budget. I have spent much time over the last weeks trying to figure out all the details. At first it seemed like there was no way to avoid paying this tax, however recently I have been working with a Christian lawyer that thinks that we might be able to file some paperwork that could grant our family an exemption.

This is a really complicated matter. Income tax is related to the Polish socialized health care system and Polish social security. So in order to make changes in the way our family is registered for taxes, I need to rearrange our status at all of these offices.

Although I have been working on this issue for a while now, I really have only just started. And I am really not sure if we will be granted the exemption.

Please pray that God would help me to understand the details of these complicated rules and regulations. Pray that the office workers would be inclined to help me through the piles of paperwork. And pray that God would supply our need if in fact we are going to have to start also paying income tax in Poland.

Thank you for your faithful prayers and support for us!

Ben (for Sarah, Mikaela, Maia and Aleyna)

P.S. I have attached a recent picture of the Siedlce church.