



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



Dear praying friends and family,

Thank you for your faithful prayers and financial support for our family and the church planting ministry here in Poland. As always, God faithfully provides all of our needs and so much more. The church in Siedlce continues to be a source of encouragement to us. Currently the 40 members who are growing in love for one another are slowly but surely taking upon themselves the responsibilities that our family shouldered for many years. The church plant in Łuków is extremely small, but along with the four that consistently attend, we have had a couple visitors over the last months.

When I wrote in January I asked you to pray for a situation concerning our taxes in Poland, namely that we had recently become aware of a law stating that anyone who resides in Poland for more than 183 days in a calendar year is required to pay income tax in Poland regardless of the income's country of origin. In effect, we would be liable to pay tax on our income in both the US and Poland from here on out, but we also would probably be liable for unpaid taxes up till now. To make a long, stressful story short, after consulting with many people, both experts and non, we've just received information that with a clergy exemption we will only be required to pay an income tax here of about \$400 per year! We are praising the Lord for this huge blessing. Thank you for all your prayers and notes of encouragement concerning what we feared was going to be a big financial hit.

This summer will mark a milestone for our family: Our oldest daughter Mikaela will fly to the USA to work for the summer. This is a short three month trial period that we hope will help prepare for the bigger step that awaits our family next year, when she will move away from home to start her college education. Please pray for her spiritual growth and for God's grace in working out all the details.

One of our other summer plans is to get a gospel tract into every single home and apartment in the city of Łuków. Please pray that God will use our efforts to call sinners to Himself in that town and that the tiny church plant there will grow.

May God bless each of you!

Ben (for Sarah, Mikaela, Maia and Aleyna)

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