

The Means to Get
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the Gospel
Czech People

Visa

Just after sending out the last prayer, our lawyer got back to us. She explained that she had been busy and told us that she would work with us. She actually looked at the documents and gave us some feedback. I sent back follow-up questions, and waited. After three weeks we had not heard back from them. So, I prayed about it and we have decided to move forward without a lawyer. We had been waiting to find out if we needed to ship the paperwork to our lawyer, or just have them sent to us. Now we are getting all of the paperwork shipped to us in Albania. Hopefully we will have everything next week and can then make an appointment with the embassy. I was talking with another missionary earlier this month, and he told me that when he imagined missionary work, he expected to be busy, he just did not think that so much of the work would be dealing with government paperwork. I can agree with that. I never thought that the paperwork would take so long, but it is good to know that it is not just me.

Albania

There really is not much to report in Albania. For the most part we have been sick during June. Lisa and I use distilled water for medical devices. Lisa has a c-pap and I flush my sinuses because I get sinus infections. We were buying the distilled water at a grocery store in the cleaning isle, which is where we get it in the US and the Czech Republic. After cleaning Lisa's c-pap, it quickly was dirty again and she was suspicious that it might be the reason that we were not feeling well. Lisa sent a picture of the distilled water up to Gemini and found out that the distilled water in Albania is not safe and has added chemicals. So, we had been poisoning ourselves. Looking up the effects of this, Lisa will be a long time getting back to normal as it has sent her nervous system out of balance with her POTS. I have been lacking energy and been getting tired from doing nothing. Trips to the grocery store make me sleepy and showers have me lying flat afterward. It feels similar, though not as severe, as having mono or when I had West Nile. We now get the distilled water from a pharmacy, while this is more expensive, we aren't poisoning ourselves. So, I would say it is worth it.

While being confined inside, I have been working on the Bible studies and YouTube videos. Doing this has been taking up my time. My Gospel of John study is a very slow process, I have just finished chapter 6 and think that I should go back to the beginning and re-do the first chapters with the same process and rigor that I have been using now. Each video now takes around two weeks. In addition to this, we continue to try to keep up on our Czech studies. None of this is very exciting, but we hope that it is all just prep-work that will make us prepared to jump directly into starting Bible studies when we get back to Brno.

Home Front

Finally, I wanted to get an update on Steele. I have not given one because there really has not been anything to report. He finished up with a couple of treatments that we were trying. Neither has been the answer, though it appears that one of the treatments did make his extremely painful rash flare-ups less frequent. There is a treatment center in New Hampshire that specializes in the problems that Steele has, and that is the next step. He has started the process to get in and the wait list is only a few months. That might sound like a long time, but we have been on waiting lists for doctors that we have been told is 1-2 years before. So, that is actually pretty good.

Prayer Requests

- * Steele's medical treatment
- * Visas process
- * Outreach Efforts
- * Salvation of Ivana, Helena, and Marek

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