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Dear Pastor and Church Friends,

It's been a great month here in Croatia! Why? I'm so glad you asked! It's been great because we had Vacation Bible School in 2 different churches! You know how I love kids, so this was a special time for me.



I had the opportunity to head these meetings up. Along with preparing all of the materials for decorations, crafts, memory verses, review games, and a couple of songs, I was able to give the Bible lesson each day. Since I am still working on the language I had to teach with an interpreter. That meant that I had to say a sentence, and pause while the interpreter translated for me. This slows the pace down a bit. The kids all listened very well in spite of this. I praise God for that.

Also, we had some visitors every day in each location! Around here, Baptists are thought of as a cult. (Basically, anything other than the Catholic Church is thought of in that light.) Because of this, it is hard to get visitors to come to our church. Praise God, several children were able to come and hear the gospel. One woman who brought her little son even raised her hand that she would like to accept Jesus. She came back to church 2 weeks later and did just that! One week after that her husband accepted Christ! Exciting things are happening!

I thank all of you for praying! Please continue to pray for the church in Cakovec, which is struggling with very low attendance. Also, pray for the church in Varazdin as it continues to grow.

God bless you all. Thank you for your prayers and support.

Love from Croatia,

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