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Dear Pastor and Church Friends,

Dobar dan! (Than means "Good day!" in Croatian.) Since moving to Croatia I have learned something: the Croatian language is one COMPLICATED language! There is a definite beauty to it, though. It is not as sing-songy as Spanish is, but it has it's own beauty. I can't wait for the day that I can converse easily in Croatian. Right now I am taking language classes 2 times a week. The national pastor's wife, Ljubica (pronounced Lyu-bitsa), is teaching me. She speaks some English and her husband speaks almost perfect English. I am enjoying learning Croatian, although it is very taxing on my brain! Sometimes my Spanish gets mixed up with the Croatian! That can be an interesting mix!

I covet your prayers for me as I learn the language. Please pray God opens my mind to the language and that I can learn very quickly. I cannot start a ministry with children until I can speak in their language.

As for church business, in February we had a banquet in the church in Varazdin with the theme "The Love of God." There were around 36 in attendance, which in Croatia is a BIG deal. It is hard to get people to visit non-catholic churches here. Needless to say, we were very excited that the church was packed! Tori Leslie, her daughter Hannah, and I decorated the church for the banquet. What did we use? Hearts, of course! Hannah and I also sang the special music. I was a nervous wreck, as I was singing in Croatian. Overall the banquet was a big success. I consider it a success because people heard a clear presentation of the plan of salvation through Jesus Christ. How can you go wrong with that?

Thank you all for your continued prayers and support! God bless you all for your faithfulness!

On the right are a few pictures from the banquet.

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