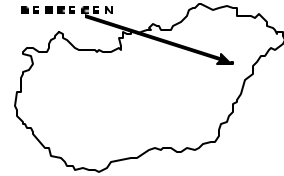


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A Great Meeting

To begin with I will start with the highlight of the month. On the 13th of the month, we had our country-wide meeting. It was a big success. We had more than fifty people that came and participated with us. This is the biggest turnout that we have ever had in Debrecen, and maybe in any city for this type of meeting. We had people from Budapest, Szolnok, Miskolc, and Oradea, Romania.

The theme of the meeting was the Community. We look at many views of the community. First, we looked at the Old Testament community. Then, we saw the aspects of the family, the church, the roles, and that of helping each other.

Sometime around February, we will have another meeting in Szolnok. We are all looking forward to getting back together and sharing with each other. We always enjoy seeing many fellow brothers and sisters after most of us coming to church and only seeing no more than ten or fifteen people week in and week out.

Summer Campaign

This month, we are still looking for campaigners to help us out. Our plans are to have a four-week school in Nyíregyháza, this summer to help further the work in planting a church there. It will start around the beginning of July. Right after this will be a two-week school here in Debrecen. To be a campaigner, you only have to want to teach the Bible. You do not have to know Hungarian, just English. We will be teaching from the book of Matthew in both schools. If you are interested or know

of anyone who is, then let me know.

Thanksgiving

So last week was Thanksgiving. I want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving, a little late. However, in Hungary, we do not celebrate it as a national holiday. However, my teammates, which live in Szolnok, and I celebrated it on this Monday. We could not all get together Thursday so we waited to celebrate it. It was a good meal and fellowship. We even had tapes of the Macy's parade and football matches. It was almost like being in the US.

Snow is Here

So we are a little more luckier than most of you. We have already had our first through third snows of the winter (but really the fall). It has been an unexpected thing here as in the rest of Europe. We woke up one morning and the ground was covered. Then that day it melted. But then a few days later it started to snow and we ended up with about five inches. Some places received much more than us. Now the eastern part of Hungary's snow has melted, but west of us, they still have snow on the ground.

The Church in Hungary

This month the biggest thing was the meeting on the 13th. Now we are getting ready for our next big event, the New Year's Eve party. This is coming soon. We are hoping to have many that will come and have fun for our third party at my place. We have much still to plan, mostly because Nandor will be gone for

the last part of December and will not be able to help us.

One other thing is that, we are working on recording all the Hungarian songs that we know. We have finished one whole tape and have many more songs to record. Hopefully this will help those who do not know them to learn easier.

Culture Corner

This month, I will tell you a little bit about the political and current events from the Hungarian scene. The country of Hungary broke away from the Soviet block ten years ago, this year. Since then, the Socialists/former Communists have governed the country. However, last year, a new prime minister and leading party of the parliament came into power. They are more conservative party made up of younger people. They have been doing a fairly good job since they took power.

Hungary, in this past year, became part of NATO. This was a very big step for Hungary and the other eastern European nations in completing the break from Russia. It will provide protection and advance the political ties between the other members.

Hungary also is in the running for getting into the European Union. Several countries are working to get in on this first addition that will happen in 2004. I heard today that Hungary is currently at the top of list of countries which are in the race to get into the EU. This shows all over the country by the many improvements that have been made over the past few years.

One of the main improvements is the influx of many businesses from both western Europe and the USA. The biggest place where you can see this is the malls and large stores that have recently come into the country. In Debrecen, we have had three large stores or

malls open in the last two years and about four or five more are to come in the next few years. In Budapest, there are many more stores and even bigger ones, too. Actually, the biggest mall in Europe opened in Budapest, this month.

The country of Hungary has had many problems in its past, but currently is working to make great improvements. Many people are out of work within the country, but this is in the process of being eliminated. Hungary is on the way up and becoming much like western Europe and the USA.

Prayer Requests

The campaigns in both Nyíregyháza and Debrecen that will take place next summer.

The churches in Hungary (Debrecen, Miskolc, Szolnok, Budapest)

The classes that are being held both in Debrecen and Nyíregyháza.

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