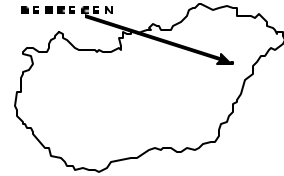


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Holidays

The holidays are almost over. They have been filled with both good and bad times for most of us.

There has been lots of time with both family and friends. Much time was spent eating great meals. We also filled time with sharing gifts.

However, the month of December has seen the flu taking its toll on almost everyone here. Even last week, the bug attacked me. It was rather bad, I even figured I was going to die. Nevertheless, I got some medicine and now I am working my way back to being healthy. My nose is still running all the time but I can live with it.

So the holidays are almost over. This is good I guess so that we can get back to the normal ho-hum of life. Still, we have the culmination of the holidays with the new year. What a way to end, with the beginning of the year 2000.

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, 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 need 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.

The Church in Hungary

This month, we have been busy getting things ready for our New Year's party. This has taken most of the month because this is a big program that we run here. We sent out invitations to around fifty of our acquaintances. We will probably have about twenty or so people that actually come. Another reason that we have been working on this much earlier is because Nándor, one of the men here. He is in the US now and so we wanted his help before he left, two weeks ago. Poor him, he cannot be here for the party.

Along with Nándor, many others that work or are part of the church here have been gone or are still gone. (Anita Nagy, Billie Brookes, Robert and Justin Wells, and the Westbrooks)

Culture Corner

This month you get a special treat. Yes, a new recipe. However, this one is a dessert not a main dish. This is dessert is the famous Hungarian pancake “palacsinta.” Sometimes, we eat it as a meal but usually as dessert. They are much like French crepes, but they are much better.

4 eggs
2 cups milk (or water)
2 tbs. oil
2 tsp. sugar
2 cups flour
pinch of salt
oil or butter/margarine/shortening

Mix the flour, salt, and sugar. In another bowl, mix the eggs, milk, and oil. Then, add the egg mixture into the flour, making a thin smooth batter. Let the batter sit for a half hour or so.

Heat a skillet on high, adding enough oil to cover the surface of the skillet. Then, add about 2 or 3 tablespoons of the batter to the skillet, all at once. Quickly tilt in a circular motion, the skillet to let the batter spread all over. This will lightly cover the whole skillet. Then, cook the pancakes until they are lightly brown on both sides.

Don't worry about messing up the first few every good Hungarian does.

The pancakes are filled with things like jams, chocolate milk powder, nuts, curd and almost anything you want. Just experiment. After you put the filling in them, you roll them.

Prayer Requests

Remember those from Hungary that are traveling as the come back to us.

Remember the churches in Hungary: Debrecen, Budapest, Miskolc, Szolnok.

Also, the work in Nyíregyháza.

My continuing classes.

Keep in mind the summer campaigns that will be coming to both Nyíregyháza and Debrecen. The teachers and the students.

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