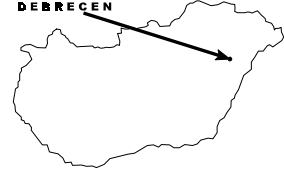




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Exciting News

So two things fit into this category, this month. First is we have had another baptism and second is the changing of my marital status.

On October 22, an old lady, who has been attending with us, made her commitment to Christ. Her name is Julia Siffer Józsefné and she is eighty-eight years old. She has been attending our worships for more than a year now. She came in to contact with us through the janitor of the school where we worship. The week before, Nándor and Ildikó talked to her and then she decided that she should be baptized. So now, we have a new sister and grandmother in the church.

Last month, I told you about Beáta and me dating and that I would keep you informed of changes. Well there has been a change. We have decided to get married and are now engaged. Our wedding will, Lord willing, take place on December 23, here in Debrecen. Then we will have another ceremony in the US in the end of February. So, everyone is invited to come and share our joy with us. I will let you know next month where the ceremony will take place in the US.

Upcoming Visit

I want to let you all know that I am continuing to work on the plans for our trip back to the US. We will be there from the beginning of February to end of April. I am interested in coming and telling your church about the work here. So please write and let me know when would be good for me to come to visit you. I have already heard from

a few of you. So, please write as soon as possible so that I can put you in the schedule.

The Church in Hungary

We have started to plan an upcoming countrywide men's meeting. The first one took place last year and now we are planning to second. Last year the meeting was good and help to bring the churches closer together. With God's help, this one will continue to do the same.

My classes continue to go well. I currently have 12 classes. There are about twenty or so students that come. In addition, the classes in Nyíregyháza are going good. The students continue to get closer to God. We hope and pray that they will decide to put Christ on in baptism.

The class in Szolnok went very well. About 15-20 people attended each class. Dr. McMillion did a good job presenting the prophets of Hosea and Amos. I was glad to have been there, one day.

I was encouraged to see that several of you have been looking at our homepage. I continue to work on it and improve it. One section is still not complete but I hope that it soon will be finished. I still am adding new pictures. Come and see the new members.

Getting acquainted

This month, I want to let you, get to know one of our men here. His name is **Károly Lamp**, but everyone calls him **Chuck** or **Karesz**. Chuck has been a Christian for the past four years. He is actually the twin brother of Beáta Kinyik because they were both baptized on the same day, Oct. 6, 1996. He is twenty-five years old.

Chuck is a university student who is studying computer science/programming. He has been studying for quite a long time (eight years) in the university due to changing majors and other stuff. He hopes to finish in the fall of next year at the latest.

His family is and was mostly atheist, even though they were Catholic by background. However, his family history is full of hard times. His parents divorced (1987) and then a few years later his mother died (1992). Thus, leaving him and his sister as orphans. Their grandmother raised them with some help from the father. Then last year, the grandmother died (1999). His sister has had a very hard time coping with this and is far from God and from the family at times, too. However, Chuck has used this to help others and to grow stronger.

Originally, he was an atheist but when he went to the university, he came into contact with the Campus Crusades for Christ. However, he did not believe and did not see any proof for Christianity. In 1995, he read the book, "More than a Carpenter" by Josh McDowell. This opened his eyes to the proofs of Jesus and for Christianity. After this, he started to believe, but did not go to church. However, in the summer of 1996, he met with some campaigners in the computer lab of the university. He then started to come to church and then in October, he dedicated his life to Christ.

Since his baptism, he has played a big role in the church. He has preached in

Debrecen and Miskolc (spring of 1997). He has also taught in the Summer Bible Schools since 1997. In addition, he is the one who translates for me when I preach. He is currently working on translating many different things (books and tracts) for the church's use.

Chuck has as a goal to be a full-time minister. After finishing the university for computers, he is interested in studying Theology.

His favorite verse that he wanted to share is from Proverbs 9:8: "Do not rebuke a mocker or he will hate you; rebuke a wise man and he will love you." He is always working to live as this verse says the wise do. He also encourages us all to live as a wise person.

Prayer Requests

Please keep Julia in your prayers.

Also, keep Beáta and me in your prayers as we work together to prepare the wedding.

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

Keep in mind, my classes and the classes in Nyíregyháza.

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