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“... Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.”
Mark 16.15

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Dear Praying Friends,

Greetings once again from the beautiful land of Croatia!

This letter comes a couple of weeks later than originally planned because I have just now recovered from COVID-19. I woke up on Nov 20 knowing I was ill with something I had not had before. The following Monday a test confirmed it was in fact COVID-19. The symptoms were varied and quite difficult, but thankfully I never developed a breathing problem, and I began to see significant improvement after a couple of weeks. I'm still dealing with lingering effects like exhaustion, but everything appears headed in the right direction. Thankfully, I had some significant help here locally with whatever I needed, and a lot of prayers from God's people. I praise the Lord for my recovery! It is amazing to me, considering I am a poster boy for many of the dangerous pre-existing conditions we've all heard so much about.

Back in October, we let it be known that our church van had finally given up the ghost and we were having to tell people we had no way to get them to church. Well, praise the Lord again, God's people responded in a great way! Your giving enabled us to purchase a 2017 Opel Vivaro 9-passenger van (the largest we can get) which should last us for years. It's a great thing to once again be able to pick up everybody for church!

On November 11th, our full container of Bibles arrived! Praise the Lord, yet again! We now have approximately 24,500 copies of God's Holy Word. What a glorious blessing! They came just in time, as our supply of our first edition was almost totally depleted. I have been busy going to the post office regularly sending Bibles all around Croatia and several surrounding countries. The feedback I get on our translation of the King James Bible is very positive. Being part of a work delivering God's Word to a people is a joy and privilege I never expected. You just never know what God might be up to!

We're facing a lot of COVID-19 restrictive measures here as is much of the rest of the world. We have limits on the number of people we can have in services, and that sort of thing. We've also had to put a hold on children's services for the time being. But, we look forward to a day when this too shall pass, and we will be right back in the thick of things. We have thousands of Bibles to pass out in the streets, and we can't wait to saturate this nation with God's Word and see Him go to work on the hearts of these people!

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Thank you so much for all your support, whether financial, or through prayer and encouragement. Without you, this would not be possible. Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto this day, witnessing.