



The Shirkmans

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“If you don’t listen to God’s words, you’ll suffer;” Domen (DOH-men) observed as we read a story together from the Bible. It was an insightful summary from a person who just a month before had never read the Bible.

Domen is our neighbor and over the last few years, he has begun exploring spirituality. He didn’t grow up with any type of religious background. In fact, his parents rejected all forms of faith in response to the suffering they saw as children during World War II and raised their children without any belief in God.

Domen told me (Jordan) that he’s been looking for “enlightenment” and had been practicing eastern meditation. He’s one of the most spiritual people I’ve ever met in Slovenia, and he’s clearly searching for answers. I shared with him about how Jesus has changed my life. At the same time, Justin, one of our teammates and also a friend of Domen’s, were having similar conversations. So, we asked Domen if he’d be open to reading a story from the Bible together. He said he’d always wanted to read the Bible but had never gotten around to it and wasn’t sure where to start.

We’ve now read six stories from the Bible together, and Domen continues to consider what it means and apply it to his life. His keen observations have amazed us and he continues to grow more open, mentioning less about eastern philosophies and wrestling more with the truth of the Bible.

We’ve also had multiple chances to pray with him. On one occasion, he said, “I felt a warmth in my chest when you prayed for me.” We told him he was experiencing Jesus coming near to him. Then he asked, “Can you teach me how to pray? And how would I pray for healing?” That day we showed Domen how to pray, and he prayed to Jesus for the first time!

Domen’s story isn’t over, and we’re excited to see how the Lord continues to draw near to him. God is drawing Slovenes like Domen to himself and helping them begin to experience his love and presence.

Jordan + Niki



Our family is all smiles about our upcoming home assignment in the U.S. We’ll be in Ohio for most of June and July connecting with ministry partners, family, and friends. Further details about opportunities to meet with us will be provided in our upcoming newsletter.

Prayers + Praises

Praise God for how he is at work in Domen’s life. Pray he would continue to read and apply the Bible and that God would grow the seeds of faith that have been planted in his heart.

Pray for continued boldness and opportunities for the disciples we have trained through MyFriends. Pray God would continue to open hearts among the people we’re all sharing with.

Pray for the Lord to continue drawing people to himself across Slovenia. We continue to pray for a Bible Discovery Group to begin meeting in each of the 212 municipalities in the country.

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