



# The Shirkmans

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## The worst natural disaster in the last 30 years hit Slovenia on August 4th as heavy rain caused flooding across the country.

Our city, Ljubljana, was partially impacted in a few low-lying areas, but no one on our team was directly affected by the floods.

As I (Jordan) helped clean up at the home of a mutual friend a few days after the floods began, I was shocked at the aftermath. Mud coated *everything*. Unsalvageable possessions were piled chest-high between homes. Construction equipment pushed destroyed items to the sides of the roads until garbage trucks could come haul things away.

The people who live in a house just down from where I helped said the nearby river was essentially flowing through their living room when the flooding was at its worst. At least six people died in the flooding, and there have been stories of others tragically taking their own lives after the flooding due to the immense material loss they experienced.

And yet, even amid this devastation, God's kindness and grace have been evident. The casualties could have been much worse. Rescue workers made heroic efforts to save lives. Volunteers sprang into action and helped strangers.

While the water has receded and left behind destroyed homes, towns, bridges, and lives, we will continue to come alongside those who have been impacted and offer them practical help and the eternal hope of Jesus.

Helping people in despair and pointing them to the hope of Christ through your partnership,

*Jordan + Niki*



*Jordan helped pressure wash the belongings of a mutual friend whose basement filled with over six feet of water.*



*The house above was swept away entirely in the midst of the terrible flooding in Slovenia.*

## Prayers + Praises

Pray for those who were impacted by the flooding. Pray the Lord would use this hardship to draw people to himself. Pray for peace, comfort, hope, and God's provision for the families affected by the floods.

Praise the Lord for the way rescue workers risked their lives to save others, for volunteers helping people across Slovenia, and for the general safety of people in Slovenia in the midst of a great tragedy.

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