## The Shirkmans

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"I have MS. I was diagnosed after the birth of my second child. I've lived this way for the last 25 years," Tatiana (TAHtee-ah-nuh) told us as we talked with her in the center of Kranj, a city about 25 miles from Ljubljana.

As our team seeks to launch Discovery Bible Groups across Slovenia, we are intentionally going where there is little or no Christian presence. The city of Kranj is one of those places.

We invited a local Slovene pastor named Sebastian from another town to join us for a prayer walk in Kranj. His optimism and evangelistic heart were a tremendous blessing as we sought to talk with and pray for the people in the city.

Sebastian shared with us his desire to try new strategies to connect more people to Jesus in his town. We shared about our vision to reach all 212 municipalities in Slovenia with the message of Jesus through Discovery Bible Groups. He was excited to dream about how the Lord might use this new approach and was curious to learn more.

As we talked with Tatiana, she mentioned she was taking her daily walk into town to have a coffee, and she invited us to join her. At the cafe, we had a chance to share the story of the woman with a long-term illness who was healed by touching the fringe of Jesus' garment in Luke 8:40-48. The story brought tears to Tatiana's eyes as we talked about God's love and care for her, even amid her chronic illness.

Across Slovenia, the Lord is drawing people like Tatiana to himself. We're continuing to step out in faith, equipping believers like Sebastian to reach those around them, and praying for divine appointments as we seek to reach Slovenia for Christ.

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Jordan and a local pastor, Sebastian, chat with two women in the city of Kranj on their prayer walk around the city.

## **Prayers + Praises**

Pray Tatiana would know and follow Jesus. Pray for healing for her from MS. Pray that God would use her as a light to others in Kranj.

Pray for us to be able to continue to equip Christians in Slovenia to reach those around them. Pray for open hearts and minds among believers so we can all work together to see Slovenia reached for Christ.

Praise the Lord for the interactions we've had with people around Slovenia whose hearts are soft toward the Lord. Pray for continued divine encounters across the country.