



The Shirkmans

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“Wow, I can’t believe you’re asking me that. That’s so nice!” Nina, the waitress at the cafe told me (Jordan). I have been meeting with a student named Matej at a cafe called Barbado and Nina had been our waitress every week. I felt the Lord prompting me to ask her, “How can we pray for you?” Nina responded with genuine joy and gratitude.

I explained to Nina that we meet there each week to read and apply the Bible to our lives and that another thing we like to do is ask people how we can pray for them. Nina shared, “Just within the last few weeks I have started trying to reconnect with God.” Nina told me that while she had been raised in the Roman Catholic Church as a child, she hadn’t been to church in 20 years. Just a few weeks before we met her, God had been moving in her heart and drawing her to himself.

She shared that she had been experiencing a lot of fear and anxiety lately, which started her on this journey. She asked if we could pray for the stress she’s feeling and her anxious thoughts. I asked her if I could pray for her right there and she excitedly said yes.

When we saw Nina the next week, she said, “It made my day when you asked how you could pray for me. What are you doing here in Slovenia?” I explained to her that we are here to help people know Jesus by reading the Bible and obeying what it says by faith.

The next week I asked her if I could share a story with her. I told her the story of the Samaritan woman at the well in John 4. Jesus meets a woman and asks her for a drink of water. He goes on to explain to her what it means to have the living water he offers. I printed a copy of the story for Nina to take with her and read on her own again later. The next day she sent a message and said, “I reread the story last night. Beautiful! It tells me the Lord doesn’t discriminate and loves and talks to everyone if they want to. And if we ‘drink’ his water we will live forever and not lack anything. That gives me so much comfort.”

We praise God for how he is at work in Nina’s life. We’re excited to continue helping her and others know and follow Jesus through your partnership.

Jordan + Niki



We met our waitress Nina at the cafe Barbado pictured above. God is at work in her life in great ways.

Prayers + Praises

Praise the Lord for how he is drawing Nina to himself. Pray that she would continue to read the Bible, apply it to her life, and share the stories she reads and hears with others.

Pray for continued divine encounters with people in Slovenia whom God is drawing to himself. Pray we would continue to find people of peace who can open up entire local communities to the message of Jesus.

Pray for the groups that have been meeting and reading the Bible to continue to multiply. Pray that those who are in these groups would want to start more groups where people can get to know the God of the Bible.

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