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Reaching and equipping Slovenes for Jesus



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Dear Steve and Julie,

Žan is buying and giving Bibles to coworkers and roommates. He is praying with people in his life and talking about Jesus with boldness. He is also coaching his childhood friend Aljaž, who is now trying to make disciples in his school and family.

Recently I (Jordan) have been using an analogy that resonates deeply with Slovenes. The average follower of Jesus in Slovenia is fighting a tremendous battle in a culture that rarely thinks about God. They are surrounded by people who have no regard for Jesus, yet they are courageously initiating spiritual conversations to help others discover Christ and his love.

It is like being in a boxing match all week long. Seven days a week and 24 hours a day they are being hit, worn down, and pushed to the edge with little rest or encouragement. Our role is to be the trainer in their corner, applying the balm of Jesus to their wounds, strengthening them to step back into the fight, and reminding them that every time they enter the ring God is with them and for them.

Seeing how far Žan has come in the last two years gives us great hope for the future. People like him across Slovenia are beginning to catch a vision for a disciple-making movement that transforms lives, families, workplaces, and communities.

As we look ahead to 2026, our focus remains clear. We want to help believers keep the faith and run the race the Lord has put before them.

Your prayers and partnership are vital to this mission, and we thank God for you. The Lord is moving, and we are honored to proclaim Christ alongside you. May the joy and peace of Jesus flood your heart this Christmas season.

With gratitude to God for you,

Jordan+Niki