

The Shirkmans

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"Thanks for being an example of following Jesus and for letting me be baptized next to your children," Nejca (NAYT-suh) said just before our teammates Justin and Hannah baptized her in the Adriatic Sea this past weekend.

Nejca is a clear example of how the Lord brings us into relationship with people who are actively seeking him. During a challenging season, she began reading the Bible on her own. She was searching for deeper meaning, lasting purpose, and a God who could hold everything together when life was falling apart. She told her friend Martina, a former neighbor of Justin and Hannah, that she wanted to read the Bible with others and understand what it means to follow Jesus. Martina told her, "I know who you need to talk to," and quickly connected Nejca with our teammates.

Over the past two years, Nejca has steadily grown in her faith by engaging with our team and other Christians. She recently felt compelled to be baptized as a public confession of her faith in Jesus and a step of obedience to Him. One of Nejca's close friends, who had reached out to Nejca for help during her own difficult season and has since begun reading the Bible with her, also came to witness the baptism. She said, "I've never experienced something like this before."

Nejca is inviting more of her non-Christian friends to read the Bible with her and is showing them what it truly looks like to follow Jesus. What an amazing transformation as she's gone from someone just beginning her faith journey to someone now confidently sharing her faith and guiding others toward the Lord.

Several children from our team and network of disciples also chose to be baptized. This moment served as a powerful reminder that following Jesus is a family calling. It reflects the many prayers we have prayed for our children to walk faithfully with Jesus all of their lives and to make disciples wherever he leads them.

God is moving in Slovenia. He is drawing people who are searching for Him, keeping His promises, raising up new generations of disciple-makers, and calling people out of darkness into his kingdom of marvelous light.



Our gathering to celebrate God's work in the lives of those baptized this weekend as they take steps of faith and seek to make Jesus known.

Prayers + Praises

Praise God for his work in Nejca's life and her decision to be baptized. Pray she continues to grow in her faith and help those around her experience God's love, grace, forgiveness, and purpose.

Pray for more supernatural encounters.

Ask the Lord to connect us with more people who are searching for him and have a desire to read the Bible and share it with those around them.

Pray for the next generation. Ask God to strengthen the faith of the young people who were baptized, that they would walk with Jesus all their lives, boldly share the gospel, and become disciple-makers in their own communities.