

## The Shirkmans

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At the end of 10 weeks of lockdowns in Slovenia, things are much more normal. This strange time was by no means wasted, and we thought we'd share 10 encouraging things we saw the Lord do in the last 10 weeks:

- 1. Marija, a student who responded to one of our Facebook ads inviting people to read the Bible with us, placed her faith in Christ a week ago!
- 2. Elena, a student from Macedonia who studies in Slovenia, is very close to coming to faith in Christ and is already talking about what she's learning from the Bible with her friends and family.
- 3. Nino, a student Jordan regularly meets with, is sharing his faith with his friends and inviting them to read the Bible with him.
- 4. Kaja, a student our team connected with through a student Jordan knows, helped plan and lead our Easter outreach event that a dozen students from around the country attended.
- 5. During our online Easter event a number of students led small group Bible studies for the first time on our Zoom call.
- 6. Barbara, a high school student who trusted Christ in November, has started reading the Bible with her friend Patricija who was previously uninterested in faith.
- 7. The Lord provided a new place to live for our teammates who had to move due to their landlord selling the home they were living in.
- 8. Nastja, a student who has been studying the Bible with us, shared on Instagram how she has been experiencing God's love recently.
- 9. The Lord has helped our team come up with creative solutions during this season that has enabled us to connect with students all across the country whom we otherwise would not have met.
- 10. Maruša, a believing student who has experienced deep disappointment and uncertainty regarding her studies, has felt great comfort from the Lord, his Word and his people in this time.

The Lord continues to work and move in encouraging ways in Slovenia, and we pray that you have tangibly experienced his love, grace and peace in this unique time as well.

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From the top: Kaja (#4), Barbara (#6), and Maruša (#10) have all grown in their faith in encouraging ways over the last 10 weeks.

## Prayers + Praises

Pray that God would continue to give us creativity and wisdom to help engage with students online throughout the summer since our annual, in-person English camp has been cancelled due to the restrictions on large group gatherings in Slovenia.

Pray for wisdom for us as we plan our visit to the US this summer, for flight possibilities and ways to capitalize on what will likely be a shorter visit than we originally planned.

Pray for our team in a season of transition as some of our close friends and long-term staff in Slovenia move back to the US permanently.

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