



Jordan & Niki Shirkman

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Just 24 hours before our flight to Slovenia was scheduled to leave, we were notified that our international airline was on strike, our connecting flights would be delayed, and we would likely be stranded somewhere between America and Slovenia if we chose to get on the first plane out of Ohio.

Even in the midst of endless negative possibilities, we clearly saw the hand of God arranging and organizing every detail as we returned to Slovenia. We, along with all of our teammates and each piece of luggage, made the transatlantic move in one piece thanks to God's graciousness.

Upon our arrival at the airport, we were greeted by American and Slovene friends. Student friends we met two years ago contacted us and came to visit us within our first few days back in Ljubljana.

One of those friends is Nuša, a friend I (Niki) have shared about before. I went for coffee with Nuša during our first week back. Developing friendships is a slower process for Slovenes than it is for most Americans, so it was encouraging to see our friendship deepen and grow, even in the midst of my year-long absence. Seeing her desire to spend time together and beginning to open up reminded me of the significance of loving people like Jesus does and meeting them right where they are.

We pray that our relationships with Slovenes would be significant and meaningful, leading them to know Jesus personally.

There are now 15 Americans with Cru working in Ljubljana, trusting the Lord for lost students to become Christ-centered laborers in this city and country. We believe the Lord has called and equipped each of us to play a vital role in helping Slovenia truly know Jesus.

Thank you for your prayers, generosity, and encouragement in helping us return to Slovenia. We're trusting the Lord alongside you and expectant of how He'll continue to work and move in mighty ways.

Helping fulfill the great Commission in Slovenia through your partnership,

Jordan + Niki



A picture of Niki and Nuša's first reunion back in Slovenia.

Prayers

- o Please continue to pray for us as we transition to our new life in Slovenia. Pray for long-term friendships with Slovenes.
- o Pray that God would continue preparing the hearts of students like Nuša and other Slovenes for the message of Jesus. Pray we would be bold in sharing our faith and pointing people to the Lord.
- o Pray for us as we begin our official language courses for Slovene. Pray we would step out of our comfort zone to use the language and grow in our fluency to be better equipped to reach Slovenes for Christ.

Praise

- o Praise the Lord for our arrival and God's grace on our journey here. Your prayers for our move were certainly felt!

We've updated our address below if you want to get in touch with us in Slovenia. You can also email us or call and text us on our same American numbers!

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