



# The Johnny Leslie Family

## *Independent Baptist Missionaries to Croatia*

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Dear Fellow-Laborers,

Greetings to you all from a somewhat locked-down Croatia. As I mentioned before, we've been locked down since December. They have begun opening a few things slowly, but there are still heavy limitations on ministry. Please pray that we keep our sanity!

Schools have opened, so we've started up our children's ministries again. On Sundays, we have church in the morning in Varaždin, and then at 5 we have a service for our children, then again at 6. We've had to divide the boys and girls because of the restrictions. We are not able to do anything with the little guys yet because of space. We are trying to minister the best we can under these restrictions. It breaks my heart, week after week, to not be back to normal.

After we finish with the children on Sunday, we have church for our adults in Kuršanec. This meeting starts at 7 and God has been blessing; people have been coming and the Spirit has certainly been moving among our people. Some that have been baptized lately are coming faithfully and we rejoice to see people grow in their faith.

A few weeks ago, I was standing in front of our Church in Kuršanec and two young men, as they were walking by, stopped and asked me what the difference was between the Catholic church and the Baptist. What a perfect opportunity to present the gospel; both of them received Christ and were gloriously saved!

In our Varaždin church, we are still treading water. I'm not complaining, we could be drowning. The people continue to come, and we've had a couple of visitors. Our sermons continue to go out via the internet and people still contact us regularly. Just this week a young man contacted me from Germany. He is a Croatian and heard our sermons via YouTube. He has requested Bibles, which we will send to him. He told me there are many Croatians around him and he wants to get them Bibles. We rejoice to have a part in God's work!

On a personal note, we've had several physical problems. Tori has had severe pain in her shoulder and neck. We went and saw a specialist and after an MRI we learned she has three herniated discs in her neck and back, and bone spurs in her shoulder. The specialist wants to try physical therapy, which we scheduled for this week. Before we could do the physical therapy, she tore her meniscus and is in pain constantly and it's difficult to walk. We had to cancel the physical therapy for her neck and shoulder until we can take care of her knee. We are trying to schedule an MRI so that we can see what can be done. They are talking about surgery, so we will have to wait and see. It's been trying for her to say the least. Please pray for her, and me, and for the doctors to have wisdom.

As I close, I want to thank you all for your love and support for our family. We are grateful to partner with you! This May we reach 21 years in Croatia, that is possible because you are faithful to pray and give!

Because He lives,

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