



Christmas - December 2019

Dear Friends and Partners,

Greetings from Serbia. We wish you lots of laughter and happiness this Christmas time, a season of Joy, as we celebrate the Birth of our Saviour. As we are now having our ten day fasting we want to pray for you and bless you.

Lighthouse Church

From September we officially changed the name of our church in order to better express our identity, purpose and vision. Now we are called “**Lighthouse Church Kraljevo,**” because we are Lighthouse of faith, hope and love in central Serbia. **We shine the Light of the Gospel and dispel the darkness.**



Spreading God’s Light and Love by preaching the Gospel and winning the lost is our priority. Having regular services in two locations, in Kraljevo and Chachak, and believers in five more places, our aim is to win central Serbia for Christ.



Ministry in the Balkans

If central Serbia is our Jerusalem, the Balkan region is our Judea and Samaria.

Jesus said: *“You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”* Acts 1:8



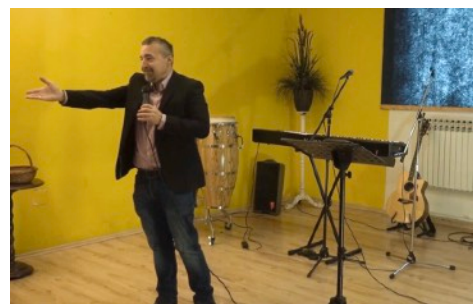
In September we went and ministered in Tuzla, Bosnia, over 90% Muslim city. Believers in the Tuzla church are from three different nationalities who made war in Bosnia, but who now live in peace and unity of Christ. We were so blessed and



happy to preach the Gospel there. Only Jesus can bring lasting peace, reconciliation and unity in the Balkans.

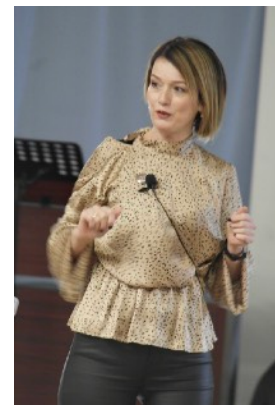


In October we went to Zagreb, Croatia, and ministered there. It was a great joy to preach the Word of God and to bring the love of God to Croatian capital, to show the world that Serbs and Croats can actually love each other, not just tolerate each other.



Women's Conferences

Sara had the honour and privilege to be one of the main speakers at three women's conferences this Autumn. The first was at the beginning of October in Blackburn, England. It was amazing as women from different churches in Lancashire came together.



In second part of October Sara spoke at Croatian Daughters of the King National Conference in Zagreb. Really quality conference in beautiful Aimeria business centre.



And then at the beginning of November Sara powerfully ministered to ladies at Serbian Daughters of The King National Conference in Novi Sad, Serbia. She also organised this conference as she is part of the organising board. There were over 250 women present and the presence of God was so tangible.



Special evangelistic services

Whenever we have a guests, we organise special evangelistic service and bring new people to the church. Guests are attractive. So we had Pastor Nadoljub Dugalic who leads a church in Sydney, Australia, in September. He is of Serbian origin and leads a Yugoslav congregation in Australia. He spoke an amazing Word in both Kraljevo and Chachak.



Pastor Magnus Edfors from Sweden came and blessed us so much in October. We really enjoyed his ministry and had brilliant fellowship together in our city.

And then last Sunday, at the beginning of December, we had





Snezana Andjelic, a world class psychologist and psychotherapist who lived and worked for four year in Jerusalem, who works with trauma victims all over the world, in Iraq, in Egypt, in Indonesia... Her teaching was very practical, very helpful and applicable, and people listened with great interest in full churches in Kraljevo and Chachak.

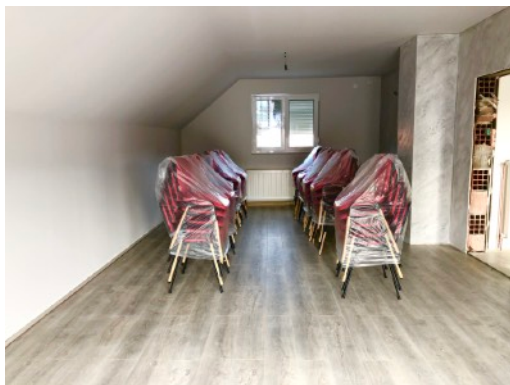
Visit to UK

We visited some of you, our dear friends and partners, in the UK and ministered in your churches at the end of June and in July. It was a great blessing for us to meet you and have fellowship with you.

We would like to have it more often and really miss you when we are here in Serbia. We value your friendship, your prayers and support very much. We are praying for you now especially, when you will have a very important election on 12th December, that will probably determine the future of your country.

Building Update

In Kraljevo we furnished two rooms and the main kitchen upstairs in our new church building. What is left is to furnish the minor hall and two offices. Please, pray that we will be able to finish all of that, so that the upstairs of our community outreach centre will be fully functional. We also need to put an electric engine that will move our 600 kg iron front entrance gate. At the moment a big chrome cross that will be put on the top of our building is being made. We hope to put it by Christmas. It won't be just a symbol, it will be a statement that this is a Christian country, a country belonging to Jesus Christ.



In Chacak, the hall is being renovated so that we can use for our services. Our sister from Chachak donated it to us, it's part of her house upstairs. We just bought new chairs for it. Soon we will need to buy a laptop and a large television that we will put on the front wall for songs and media materials.

Please, pray for the needs of the Chachak building project, too. In that place we have people from four other places, covering the area of three hours drive not reached with the Gospel.

Partnership in the Kingdom

The Kingdom of God is built through relationships and partnerships. Thank you very much for being such loyal and faithful partners to us, enabling us to preach the Gospel and win central Serbia for Christ. Thank for your prayers, your love and great generosity. Your gifts and regular monthly donations make a significant difference in this, one of the least evangelised regions of Europe.

And if God by his Holy Spirit prompts you to become our monthly partner in preaching the Gospel here, that would be great. Investment in the expansion of the Kingdom of God is the most rewarding.

Happy Christmas and Blessed New Year 2020!

Please, pray for us as in the second half of December we will have our Christmas outreach in five Kraljevo schools and we will be able to preach Jesus fully. Please, pray that the seed of the Gospel will fall on good ground there.

Yours in Christ,
Sasha & Sara

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