



*"Preach the gospel, die and be forgotten."
- Count Zinzendorf.*



Dear Friends and Family,

As I sit down to write, we have just returned from a trip to visit two churches in Wisconsin. Over the next few days we will take part in a mission's conference in Michigan. The weekend after that we will be in Texas followed by trips to Pennsylvania and Tennessee. We've put a lot of miles on the van, and praise God, we have had almost no car trouble and God has seen fit to keep us safe. We really do enjoy each and every visit.

There is quite a bit of news to report concerning the church plant in Siedlce. There are going to be some pretty significant changes in the days ahead. As you know we currently have four elders: Slawek, Jacek, Adam and I. Jacek has some complicated and stressful relationships in his personal life and is in the process of resigning from being an elder. This is not a surprise to us, we have known of this possibility for quite a few months. However, much more recently we have learned that Slawek's work will require him to move away from Siedlce. So our church will go from having four elders to having only two: Adam and I.

There are two things I would like to say about these changes. First of all, losing these two men as elders is a significant loss. I have relied on these two guys in a number of ways. It is also far less than ideal to go through this amount of change in leadership while I am away on furlough. However, the second thing I feel about the whole situation is how extremely grateful I am for the role that Adam is playing in the church this year. Even with our family away, it seems that the church will be able to go through this transitional time with some degree of stability thanks to the faithful leadership of Adam. He is young and does not have much experience, however, God is using him and I am very encouraged about that. Please continue to pray for him as well as the two churches in Siedlce and Łuków.

In closing, there is one significant need I would like to inform you of. We will be returning to Poland in August and airfare for five people costs \$4,400. If anyone would be able to help us cover that cost, we would be very grateful.

Thank you for your faithful prayers and support! May God bless each of you.

Ben (for Sarah, Mikaela, Maia and Aleyna)

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