

May 2008

Update from the Buljovcic family

Dear Family & Friends in Christ,



**PRAYER REQUESTS**

for our walks with God:  
daily filling of the Holy Spirit, hearts nearer to Him in prayer and in His Word

for our marriage and family:  
oneness and time for each other, God's leading in caring for Sara

for our finances:  
God's direction concerning part-time work for Dejan; living simply while here in consumer-driven society

for health:  
healing of Julie's condition & sufficient weight gain, protection of Sara's health

for ministry:  
anointing & continued progress for Dejan in translation and that other work won't encroach on time to do it; to be a blessing to the Body of Christ here, opportunities to serve them

This month has been like no other in our lives! As the Lord brought our daughter, Sara Jane, from the womb and into our arms, He has caused us to stop and be in awe of His miracle of life. So many of the things we anticipated for the month of May deferred themselves to our initiation into parenthood, but we wish to share briefly what has been stirring in our hearts and where we believe the Lord has us at this point in our time here.

First, we want to praise the Lord and thank you who carried us in prayer concerning Julie's pregnancy and the birth—we didn't have a roadside baby, and we made it to the birth center safely and in time! We didn't expect to labor in the truck all the way across the state of Idaho, but we definitely have a different perspective of and respect for Mary & Joseph's situation concerning the birth of Jesus Christ.

Dejan received authorization to work in the U.S. while we await the processing of his visa application, another occasion for praise. The financial support we are receiving currently allows him to continue working on translation, which is a great relief and blessing since we believe that God has called him to this ministry. However, there is a need to supplement that in order to meet our financial obligations (Julie and Sara's health care costs and the higher living expenses associated with being in America), so we covet your prayers for Dejan in the Lord's direction for finding part-time work. We are grateful for this possibility, but we still hope for a timely resolution in his paperwork--and Julie's health--so we can go out again and serve in the mission field.

One of our great desires for the remainder of the time we're here is to become better equipped for foreign field ministry and to build an even stronger support team in all aspects, so that when the Lord gives the word that it's time for us to go out again, we will be ready. We have been learning for the last two and a half years about the vital importance of good "senders", and now we have the time and opportunity to make sure that all our bases are covered. No mission team (be it a single person, couple, family or group) is complete without solid home backing in committed, specific prayer, encouragement and practical and financial means. Please join in praying with us for this.

The LORD's ways are beyond our understanding and His thoughts are higher than ours, but they are all for our good and to give us a hopeful future. We have this promise to rest in. Though we didn't foresee ourselves living in the United States this year, He did. He has blessed us with the chance to really become established in our church fellowship, as a couple and now as a family, something that we were previously unable to do. Truly, He knows best, and we're so thankful to be under His direction and care.

Thanks again for taking time to read, and for being a part of our lives.

*May the LORD bless and keep you,  
Dejan, Julie, and baby Sara*

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