

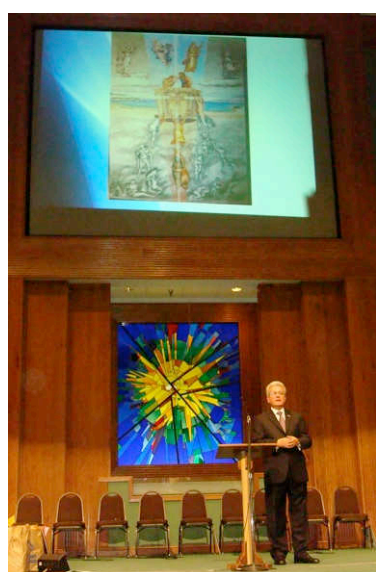
Dear Christian friends,

January/February 2010

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus!

OUR THREE-WEEK JOURNEY

Over 3,000 miles and a dozen of locations in Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas in just – twenty days. Thanks to the most wonderful hospitality of our Christian friends all over these places, we never got tired. Our trip began in Fort Worth with our dear friends Jerry and Chloe Carter, and the Mission’s Weekend at South Side church. Then it came Waco, Texas and Crestview church, which sent their first missionaries to Croatia, forty years ago. Time with Terry and Mary Johnson at Marble Falls church was very precious to us. Austin was another destination where our friends from University and Brentwood Oaks churches met us with love. Oklahoma visit was great. We had a very productive meeting with Elders and Missions of Memorial Road church, sharing about the Lord’s work in Poland, and I had a chance to teach a couple of missions classes. Our dear friends Steve and Beth Walker made us feel at home in their home. Tulsa, Oklahoma and Park Plaza church greeted us with their love for the Lord and mission works all over the world. Bad weather did not allow us to visit the church in Manhattan, Kansas, but we were able to have a nice videoconference over Skype. Visiting Russellville, Arkansas, and West Side church was a real blessing to both of us. We have a number of friends there with whom we share strong spiritual ties. After a long drive to Abilene, Texas we were greeted by our true “Croatian ambassador,” Joy Crouch, who organized well attended dinner at University church celebrating forty years of preaching the Gospel in Croatia. Over \$3,000 was raised for the second edition of the Croatian New Testament. Bammel church in Houston was the last, but not the least. We celebrated almost thirty years working under the oversight of the Elders of Bammel in spreading the Good News in Croatia and Central Europe. Before departing Texas we had a chance to enjoy one more day of superb hospitality by Jerry and Chloe Carter, our friends in Fort Worth. It is great to belong to Family of God!



*(above) Preaching to Bammel church of Christ in Houston....
... (left) and teaching a couple of mission classes at OC Mission Forum at South Side church in Fort Worth*



INSTITUTE LIBRARY

Bible Institute in Zagreb has received a great donation. Almost 14,000 theological books, previously used by Cascade College in Portland, Oregon, have been donated for the use of Croatian and international students in Zagreb, Croatia. Most of the books were taken to the new Bible Institute Reading and Reference Room in the very center of Zagreb. Steven Taliaferro, Matina Caran and students of BI helped with the work, and volunteer librarians Connie Greer and Virginia Chapman are sorting the books out.



Books have arrived to Croatia...



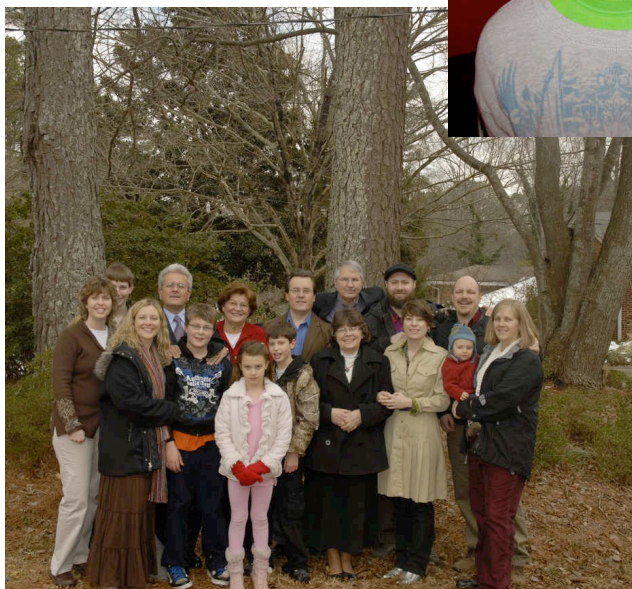
... sorting them...



... and relaxing after a good day work

OUR NEW ARRIVAL...

This past Sunday, February 14, was a day of great joy for the Jovanovic family. Our first grand son, Filip, 12-year-old elementary school student in Atlanta, Georgia, was immersed in Christ through baptism. When I asked him if he might be too young for baptism, he said: "Jesus died for me, and I know that I want to be His servant!" Tears came to my eyes when he asked me to baptize him, the third generation of Christians in our family. God is good!



*Filip, 12
baptized by his
grandfather*

*Big family
reunion in
Atlanta,
Georgia*



PLEASE, PRAY...

Second edition of 10,000 copies of the Croatian New Testament in modern language is ready to go to a printer. We are still missing about a fourth of \$20,000 needed. Lift this need to our Lord in prayer! Your prayers and support are needed.

Thank you for your continuous love and dedication to the Lord's work in Croatia.

Yours in Him,

Mladen and Dragica