



NEŠTO VIŠE

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Special Relationships with Teens

For the last few months, we have been faced with restrictions on group gatherings. We have chosen in these days to focus our time and attention on growing our mentoring and discipling relationships with individual teens. Read on about what God has been doing this month through these relationships.

Lovro

Igor and Lovro are meeting every week. Igor will usually visit Lovro in his home. Lovro became more open to Igor and he has a lot of questions about God, and how to be successful in life. He also said that he loves our magazine. We are all looking forward to the next opportunity when we can have a group gathering and Lovro can join us.

Roko

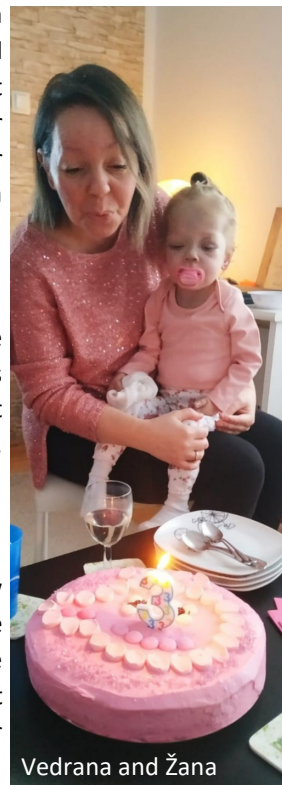


Igor with Roko

Recently Igor had a long conversation with Roko. They have a special relationship. Roko said that he is interested to help us with kids in our Champs Camp in the summer. Mateja joined them after their visit and they had a very nice conversation.

Edrien

Igor and Mateja are in contact with Edrien and her mother all the time. Unfortunately, Edrien's mother is still without a job. They are now staying in a friend's apartment. Igor and Mateja helped them a little bit financially. We are all praying for them, and for a job opportunity for Gordana, so Edrien can have a stable home and more peace.



Vedrana and Žana

Karlo

Mateja and Igor are regularly in contact with Karlo. He said recently that he has opened his heart more for God. Unfortunately, he also recently found out that his young sister Žana has more severe problems with her heart, and he is very sad about that. Please pray with us that we can encourage Karlo and that we can be a comfort to him in these difficult times. Pray that he will draw close to Jesus through this time, and not use it as an excuse to reject Jesus.

Žana

As we mentioned above, Karlo's sister Žana's health is not good. She just had her third birthday a few days ago and then she ended up in the hospital with her mother Vedrana with her. They were there three days and the doctors said that they cannot do anything more for her. Her heart is very weak. She is on the list for a heart transplant, but unfortunately, the list is long. Without God's intervention, Žana may not live much longer. Please pray with us for Žana, Karlo, and Vedrana and her husband. Vedrana became our sister in Christ a few months ago and we are praying that she will know that the Lord is near.

David, Maks, and Melkior

Steve and David continue to meet regularly for Bible study and discipling. David is showing good understanding of the scripture and an openness for the work of Jesus in his life. Their time together is a blessing for both Steve and David. Steve is meeting with Maks each week, for Bible study and discipling. Maks shows good insight into the scriptures and is always ready and eager for this time each week. Pray that these young men continue to grow in faith and decide to give their lives to Jesus. Steve has worked with Melkior for several years already, baptizing him two years ago. Melkior loves Jesus and is mostly doing well in his walk with God. However, he is 21 and is struggling with his direction in life. He doesn't know what he is interested in doing, and he is beginning to feel down about this. Pray for Melkior in this, and for Steve as he helps Melkior explore his options.

Zoo Fellowship

At the beginning of this month, we went to the Zoo with a few teens. Outside is the only place we can currently gather. We were all admiring God's creation there and enjoying being together. Our teens had a really great time together!



At the Zoo



Prayers

- Health, energy, and wisdom.
- Growth of our teens, especially in their desire to know Jesus and trust him with their lives.
- Especially for Edrien, Karlo, and Žana.



More Fun at the Zoo

Zoom Meetings for Girls

Coffee shops (very popular social spots for Croats) are still closed, so Mateja has Zoom meetings every few days with girls. She has close relationships with Lana, Hana, Sara, and Lucija. They are talking about their schools, families, their plans in life, and the Bible. Every time, they have a discovery Bible study, or Mateja will prepare a short lesson and they will discuss it. They were recently talking about freedom in Christ, and how we are called to live a life with purpose as daughters of Christ.

Youth Magazine

We are so happy to hear that our teen Sara shared our magazine *Something More* with her non-Christian friends in her school. She reported that they think our magazine is awesome. So Mateja gave her some more copies to give to some other friends as well. We are gradually increasing the distribution and reach of the magazine. Mateja is planning a new edition of our magazine and we will publish it at the end of February.

First Meeting for Champs Camp

The last week of this month we had our first organizational meeting for our Champs Camp. We are all starting to prepare for that, in hopes that we can have the camp this summer. Each one of us will have a special role. We are excited that Igor will have a special music program for kids every day. On the last day, Igor will invite his musician friends and they will play together for kids and parents. Steve and Mateja will do the administration for the camp. Pray that the situation with Covid will allow us to have as many kids and teen volunteers as possible.