

The Polish Link

October 2015

« From Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, to the saints in Ephesus, the faithful in Christ Jesus. **Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!** » *Ephesians 1.1-2*

Salutations from Poland!

SUMMER 2015

Our summer ministries gave us a great joy as we experienced over 4 weeks quite a **very special time of service, evangelism and fellowship** with a Sort-term Team from 2 churches in BC (Cloverdale, Southridge). We have had such a great freedom in Poland, even with ALL that we planned before the Lord, either in public places or in churches – and this **because of your prayers** :

- ❖ **Involvement in a Kids' Club in Biała Podlaska** (where we are establishing a church) – we had by the grace of God a wonderful impact among 20 kids and the personnel of the Center.

They asked us if and when we could come back! Kids NEVER had spent such a week of interesting activities and the patient love of Christ for them.



A young girl who grew up in that Center was able to come twice to meetings we organized in the context of the Church plant. **Pray for K., it is urgent** ...

Most kids live in such a dysfunctional environment that only a life with Jesus can save them physically, from sin – and spiritually, for eternity. God opened a large door for us to continue to serve there and be the light of the Gospel where physical and spiritual needs are huge. Our co-workers **Gnel et Gosia** (on left on the left-hand side picture) keep serving there since September, cooking meals, helping kids with homework (and life!), witnessing to staff. We plan a Get-together meeting, and a Christmas event with them. **It is a wonderful opportunity to serve families with deep needs, and this in the in the Name of the Lord Jesus. PRAY for the blessing of the Lord to continue on our testimony, and for many to connect with the true help and Savior they need. We pray that the WHOLE Canadian Team (and more!) will come back next year! ☺**

- ❖ We led at the end of July our annual **soccer camp « *Mały Mundial* »** ('Little World Cup') that was again a blessing for the kids and for the **Evangelical Church of Lublin** with **pastor Jacek Duda**. Many young people were leaders with us, and it was wonderful to see that **our discipleship over the years has given much fruit** – they now know how



Another very special **Soccer camp « Little World Cup »** in Lublin, a ministry that has had over the last 6 years a great impact on kids, on their families and over the spiritual growth of leaders who are learning to serve and love Christ this way.

to lead it all! The Canadian Team brought help, advice and prayers that led us into a beautiful atmosphere with a record number of kids (48), with conversion decisions for the Lord Jesus, with new commitments to follow the Lord, and with an encouragement for the church. This camp has been one of the most natural ways to contact so many kids and families over the years – with a clear message centered on the Gospel. No time to lose, we serve with kindness, but are direct. We praise the Lord for the fruit we have seen. A challenge still exists for our sister **Renata** (and her husband Adrian) who have the important task to lead the **Saturday meetings of the church's Kids' Club**. **PRAY** she will have wisdom and creativity to pursue deeper and lasting contact – an important key of « **follow-up** » and « **discipleship** » which are SO RARELY practiced in Poland.

- ❖ **Christian Camp Kunów** continued to run conferences and camps – from May to September – and many believers could benefit from this transformed camp site. Weather was also so nice and warm (often 35C +!), perfect for the many camp activities. This summer was special as the discipleship of youth in ministry led **4 people to ask for baptism** – a record in number and joy!



Oh! Happy Day! **Baptism of Ada and Julia** with pastor Jacek (on left) and the girls' fathers, at **Camp Kunów** – the fruit of many years of investment in their lives with camp ministries. Their respective mothers got baptized in the same place 25 years earlier! **Thank the Lord with us for this great miracle.**

Camp Kunów is also an ideal site for a **ministry base** from which we could lead with the Polish-Canadian Team evangelism in smaller communities where there is no evangelism or churches – Łuków, Kock, Kunów, Lubartów. So many people without Christ in this region ... **may our Lord save many**, the

same way He promised to the Apostle Paul when he was ministering in Corinth (Acts 18.9-10).



CHURCH 2015 – 2.0

We are praying and preparing for the will of the Lord in our next step in growing the church in the **town of Biała Podlaska** with **Gnel et Gosia**. Last Sunday (October 11th) the living room was full with 11 people – we are very thankful to the Lord for the many wonderful things He led us to become and to do after a year and a half. **THANK YOU for your prayers.**

We see since August the Lord's leading to **get a rented space in town**, just beside the train station (above, with Gnel). We see the need to be more visible, more accessible and be in a public space where those outside our circles of family, friends and neighbors could connect with us. We will need help for starting services and a Coffee place/library ministry in that location. **If you could pray for the Lord to strengthen us, and for the part you could take in this** in order to establish a wonderful testimony for the glory of the Lord in this town of 65,000 people.

May the Lord bless you with the infinite riches of His grace. We wish you a time of **JOY and MANY THANKS FOR THANKGIVING !** (we will have ours on October 25th!)

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IN PICTURES ...



Gnel and myself sat down and spent time in prayer at this Cultural Center of Biała Podlaska, asking our Lord for His continued blessing for the next year of ministry, and for His wisest guidance in seeing people saved & getting a public space where we could meet and bless the people of this town.

The 'Podlaska' region (Eastern Poland) is famous for their Stables where they train the best Arabic horses in the world – Rochelle met 3 of those 'princesses' who loved her carrots!