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It's not too early to make plans for the 2013 Hauge Foreign Mission Family Retreat!

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News From Hungary

Pastor induction in Bokod



After a long delay, the Lutheran Church of Bokod made an important decision. They invited Gergely Kósa, serving in this local church for more than three years, to be their permanent pastor. The induction took place on April 6. The church was full of church members, relatives and others who know Gergely, to take part together in the celebration service. In his sermon, the dean looked back on the distant and near past of the church, and warned his fellow servant to be patient regarding the growth of the church, both in number and in spirit. Gergely shared a



dream and a problem with his audience. His dream is to see a revival in the church he serves

in—and his problem is that he

is not suitable to serve as a pastor in the traditional sense. So he invited the members of his church to be involved in his ministry; not to expect the pastor to do all the work, but to join him and serve to others.



On behalf of EKE, András

Oravecz greeted Gergely, encouraging him with the Word of God. Children who had attended one of the camps also joined to greet Gergely: they sang a favorite camp song together. After the service, everyone was invited to the gym of the school; those who accepted this invitation could have some cold dishes and tasteful cakes, and share their thoughts.

This was a very important event to me. More than ten years ago, when the previous pastor left this church, a request to God was formed within me, that He may give a believing pastor to this church. I wanted very much to have a pastor who preaches the Word of God the way I had heard the pastors in EKE preach so long before, when I had become a believer by receiving Jesus Christ as my personal Savior. Though the waiting was long, it was not vain. Gergely believes that the most important thing is that

people not only hear of God in his sermons, but also turn to Jesus Christ. My gratitude is not enough for God sending Gergely and Andrea into this church. Now we can look into the



tuture with the hope that lots of people living here in Bokod can hear God calling them to be saved.

Anikó Lázár



Editor's Note: I became friends with Pastor Kosa on the 2010 Mission Trip, and look forward to ministering with him again in August.

2013 Hungary Mission Team



Joel Adams
I am excited about
playing with and
learning from
Hungarian kids even
more than I'm excited
about eating horse.



JoyAnn & Marquelle Dahl
We are very excited to work with Hauge foreign mission on a summer team! We are looking forward to see what God has planned for us.



Kevin Dahl
I'm looking forward
to flying out of the
country, experiencing
a new culture, and
fellowshipping with
others.







Daniel Keinanen
God has given me a
hunger for our trip to
Hungary. For that I
am excited.

Amber Kistler
I'm looking forward
to seeing Jesus work
through us and
change lives.

Mark Swanson
I am excited to go to
Hungary and meet
new people and let
God use me to share
His wisdom on my
first missions trip.



Joel Rustad
I am excited about
traveling to Hungary
because this is my
first overseas trip,
and also my first
missions trip.



Brett Unverzagt
"I am excited about
our mission trip this
summer because I
enjoy working with
children, and I look
forward to seeing
God at work in
Hungary.



Emma Unverzagt
I'm excited to
experience new
cultures and meet
new people.





The team will be traveling to Hungary in the first part of August. Please be in prayer for the team as they prepare, and for the trip.



Sigre Unverzagt

I am really looking forward to working at the children's camps and to seeing old and meeting new friends.



Jonathan Unverzagt

I look forward to reconnecting with old friends, and making new friends as we share the Good News of Jesus Christ.

News From Norway

Church Ministry in Ulaanbaatar



Bayariin Medee Christian Church, the congregation that is supported by the Norwegian Lutheran Mission, is involved in several social ministry projects in Olaanbaatar. Pastor Puje and his wife Amara believe Bayariin Medee should share the Good News of the Gospel through good deeds by helping those in need. "He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." This verse is acted out by the Bayariin Medee congregation through these projects. I recently had the opportunity to sit down and interview Pastor Puje and Amara about three ministry projects.

One of the ministry projects is a dormitory for students attending different universities in Ulaanbaatar.

Can you explain what this is?

"We run a student ministry project where we provide dormitory space for students from the countryside who attend different universities in Ulaanbaatar. All of those students are non-christians when they first come to Ulaanbaatar," says Amara. Pastor Puje adds, "The students enter into an agreement with Bayariin Medee Church. The agreement asks the students to attend church meetings and other church functions in return for a free, safe and secure place to live while going to school in Ulaanbaatar. We want to provide for them both spiritually and physically."

This project started seven years ago and the dormitory has space for around 15 students. They have given dormitory space to around 60 different students during this time and many of them stay all four years in the dormitory.

What was it that made you see the need for providing this dormitory space?

Amara, "We saw a need to give students from the countryside an

opportunity to live in a safe environment in Ulaanbaatar. We see too often that many students get caught up in alcohol and drugs and other poor social habits when they first move to Ulaanbaatar and we wanted to provide a different alternative to regular dormitories and apartments."

Medee Bayariin aims to provide a safe environment for the students. But it is not only the physical and health needs that Bayariin Medee wishes to provide. Pastor Puje explains. "We have a goal to make students disciples of Jesus Christ. Medee Bayariin wants to support students when they return home to plant churches in the countryside. By the grace of God most students become believers in Jesus Christ."

Amara proclaims, "After finishing their education many of the students move back to their home villages. They share the Gospel of Christ with



their family and friends. We pray that Jesus uses them to further His

Kingdom wherever they may live."

In Matthew 25 verse 44 and 45 we read, "They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?' He will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me." Bayariin Medee has taken these verses to heart and provides a ministry to prisoners and their families.

Can you explain what type of ministry this is?

"Bayariin Medee works with prison workers by training them to handle prisoners in a better way. We also work directly with the prisoners and their families by providing physical and spiritual needs, especially to the children of the prisoners," explains Amara.

Bayariin Medee was contacted last year by another Christian non-profit organization who wanted to provide clothes and other material items for children of prisoners. They wanted to work with a local congregation that could share the Gospel of Christ with these prisoners while the materials were being handed out. In Mongolia, roughly 80% of all prisoners are young men with families. Bayariin Medee wishes to show Christ's love through their words and deeds to help change the hearts of the families and prisoners.

The congregation continually looks to spread the Gospel of Christ through different projects. Therefore has NLM and Bayariin Medee begun to work together on a new social ministry project. The goal is to start a Christian Family Counseling Center. Social issues such as alcoholism, drugs, teenage pregnancy, and broken homes are a huge problem in Mongolia.

The congregation and NLM see an important role in providing counseling for both youth and their families. Amara concludes, "We want to have a strong biblical foundation for what we teach young Mongolians. Bayariin Medee believes that by showing Jesus' love through our Christian social ministry projects we will have more people coming to know Jesus as their personal Savior and more people will have hope for a better life."

It has been a blessing to work with Bayariin Medee Church and to see how the Lord is working within the congregation. I wish to thank HFM for all their prayers and support and please continue to pray for Mongolia, Bayariin Medee Church, it's leaders, and the ministry projects they are involved in.

~David Olson

Pictures from 2010 Hungary Mission Trip





In 2010, the team served 4 camps during our 2 weeks there. In August, the team will again be serving at, 4 camps, and visiting our sister churches on the weekends.



Receipts		
February 2013	March 2013	
General Fund 1,320	.50 General Fund 160.00	
Hungary 110	.00 Hungary 185.00	
NLM 500	.00 NLM 500.00	
NLM Mongolia 850	.00 NLM Mongolia 200.00	
Mongolia Youth 450	.00 NLM Japan 50.00	
Retreat Scholarship 10	.00 NLM Tanzania 20.00	
Feb '13 Total \$3,240	.50 Retreat Scholarship 10.00	
	Mar '13 Total \$1,125.00	
	February 2013 General Fund 1,320 Hungary 110 NLM 500 NLM Mongolia 850 Mongolia Youth 450 Retreat Scholarship 10	

Fiscal year 2013. (2013 Fiscal began in October 2012)

Mission Gifts:	Jan, Feb, Mar '13	TOTAL Fiscal Year 2013
General Fund	\$2,050.50	\$2,681.00
Retreat Scholarshins	\$40.00	\$70.00

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