

## **Thankful Hearts**

Since this is November and Thanksgiving is almost upon us, we wanted to take this time to let you know how very thankful we are for all of you! How you care for us with your prayers, your responses to us, your emails, words of encouragement, and your financial support, blows us away – how God ordained you all to be on our team and be a part of this care network. We can't thank you enough, and we know many missionaries who are thankful for you as well! We are praying you have a very blessed Thanksgiving filled with the peace of God.

## **October Opportunities**



October was full as the Lord presented us with many relationship-building and serving opportunities. What a blessed month it was! First our kids and granddaughters, who are missionaries in Berlin, came to visit us. It was refreshing for us and for them, as missionaries, to be with family. Next, we got on an airplane and flew north to Saint Petersburg, Russia. Wow! We felt so privileged to stay at Steve and Kim Cecil's flat in the heart of the city, and to get a true understanding of what God is doing there! We stayed with their two boys - thriving young missionaries in this city of 5 million people – and were honored to serve their church community! Shortly after arriving back home, we picked up a special guest at the Vienna airport. Carina Greer is transitioning into the US-based Foursquare Missions International missionary care director position. She spent a couple of days with us - asking lots of questions about what care for missionaries looks like on the field, brainstorming with us, and visiting the Old Town section of Bratislava! She road tripped with us to be with all the FMI Europe missionaries and leaders at

our annual fall training. It was a transformational time of getting to know and bond with each other. The teaching was about the way God has made us and how both He and we can fill our tanks so we can operate at our best. We are so thankful for all we were able to do this month and for what God revealed to us through it!

## What's Coming Up / Prayer Requests

We have some guests coming to stay with us from the states, Gary and Joanna Russell, who are dear friends of ours from California. They will preach at Bratislava Intenational Fellowship (BIF), go grocery shopping with us, visit a castle or two (Slovakia has soooo many castles!), and get a true understanding of what life is like for us here in Bratislava. We are continuing with our series on the Holy Spirit at BIF, so please pray for God to move on our congregation and for understanding with action! We know the Holy Spirit wants us all to be empowered for the work He has called us to!

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