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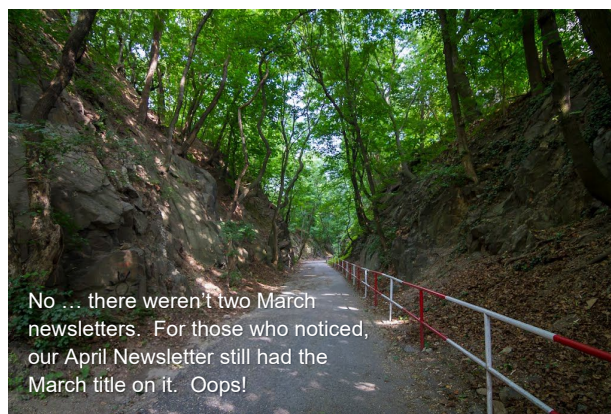
Gary has now added new skills to his repertoire as a missionary pastor. Ones we never thought we needed to this degree before we came to Europe! Writer, producer, director, sound, and film editor. And of course, delivering most of the messages for our online services. We are blessed with others who contribute to the teaching from time to time as well – very helpful in this season! We'd love to have you join us for worship and the word at www.BIF.sk!

Navigating the Shutdown in Slovakia

Slovakia is really like an island in the middle of Europe, with the lowest number of cases of Covid-19 at this point. They have begun a 4-phase process to relax the restrictions here, two weeks at a time. The first phase has opened small stores, masks can be taken off "in nature" when 20 meters away from others, and restaurants can be open if they are on the street, for take-away only. The pizza we love here is now available, boosting our morale! The next phase allows larger stores and businesses to open, and gatherings of 50 people, with social distancing. For us to have church, in our small room, we would only have space for 10 people! We remain hopeful and trust God will make a way for us as we navigate these uncertain times. We are thankful for all your encouragement and prayers!

Bratislava Rediscovered

On our walks we have gone off our regular beaten paths and discovered places that surprised us. Up the hill about a half hour walk from us is a large forest with tons of mountain biking trails and a road through it for cars to travel on. There is a small outdoorsy motel and restaurant, plus cafes and even a stand with bike repair tools you can use. Slovaks love the outdoors and find many ways to enjoy it. In downtown Bratislava we found an arts and crafts store with many different supplies, including lots of costumes. And we have seen plots of land that people own just to grow flowers, fruits, and vegetables.



No ... there weren't two March newsletters. For those who noticed, our April Newsletter still had the March title on it. Oops!

Praise Reports & Prayer Requests



We have been blessed with another granddaughter, Josephine Mercy Roley, born on Palm Sunday! She is a delight and is well loved by her sisters and the rest of us in her family! As for prayer requests, please pray for Joy's left shoulder. It has been painful for months now and it is not getting better. She will see a doctor here in the next few days, which makes her a bit anxious. We are also still praying for the borders to open so we can visit our granddaughters and our FMI missionaries in Europe. Blessings!

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