



## Good News

Everyone wants to hear good news, right? Well, we have some! First, our visas were approved, and we received our Temporary Residence Permits! But wait, there's more... instead of another two years, we were given three-year permits! We are so thankful for God's favor and for a longer time between all the work it takes to actually receive the okay to stay and live in Slovakia. Being given three years also confirmed in our hearts that we are definitely where the Lord wants us. We feel blessed, and we are very thankful for your prayers.

Also, we are making progress on finding a new location for Bratislava International Fellowship! We found a place that has everything that we need and even some things we just wanted. However, the location is not in the center of the city like our current space. "Location, location, location", right? Well, this location may not be in the center of the city, but it is near a large international school, and many expats live in the area. We see God's hand in bringing us to where many Internationals live, so continue to pray for favor with the landlord.

## Saying Goodbye

We have two families from Brazil at BIF, who have become dear friends and who have served in ministry at our



church during this difficult season of restrictions. Sadly for us, but happily for their families, their time in Bratislava is coming to an end and they will return to Brazil before we return from our furlough. We know they have grown in their walk with Jesus while here, and they can go back to their families and friends stronger in their faith. This has been our prayer – that when an expat family leaves BIF and goes "home" or to another nation, they go with a closer walk with Jesus and a new boldness to spread the gospel. Please keep Lucas, Sãmella and Vitoria, and Alessandro, Marúsia and Maju in your prayers as both families return to the Sao Paulo area this coming summer.

## Time For Furlough

It is April, Spring is in the air, and the Peiss' are heading to the US! Okay, we're not as amazing as Spring but we do feel this season of time, almost 3 months, will be full of life. We have arranged Open Houses in both SoCal and Washington so we can have the opportunity to see as many of you as we can. We will let you know the dates, locations and times through the mail and our emails. We are really looking forward to our time in the USA and being with all of you! Thank you for continuing to pray for our itineraries, travel, and time with friends and family.

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