



Krakow 2.0

It seems crazy that it was nearly three years ago that we were last in Krakow, Poland, learning that Slovakia was closing its borders the next day, and sending all those who came in afterward to government Covid quarantine facilities in the east of the country. We had been there only one day but hurriedly re-packed our suitcases and made our dash to the border. We were there to spend time with FMI global workers Travis & Alexis Mielonen and their kids Emma, Elaina, and Eli. Fortunately, we've been able to spend time with them since (their visit to us in the summer of 2021, FMI Europe training events, etc.). But it was really good to return in January and be there for a few days just to hang out and care for a family that has, like us, had their lives turned upside down by



the war in Ukraine. Their 2022 was very similar to ours ... chaotic ... overcommitted ... stressful. But with rhythms of ministry to refugees now well established, the Mielonens are in a much better place, though still incredibly busy. They help manage a 30-person refugee house in Krakow, and like us, are always looking for ways to assist refugees in Poland and those needing help in Ukraine. Please remember to pray for the Mielonens – a very busy family of five, pastors helping local churches, and relief workers being Jesus' love and compassion where they live.

A Classy Start

Foursquare Missions International is establishing new systems to support a larger base of global workers. We are praying for more workers to attend to the harvest, and FMI is creating tools and resources to support them when they are ready. As part of that, you – our faithful supporters – will soon see some changes in the giving platform that is connected to the Foursquare HUB. The new system is called Classy, and will make it much easier for you to both start and manage your giving options. Like many giving platforms, Classy will also offer you the opportunity to include the service charge it retains (for Foursquare's use of its service) in your gift. This charge will be 1% - 2.2% (\$.50 - \$1.10 on \$50), depending on the type of transaction (ACH, credit card, etc.). Thank you to all of you who choose to include this amount in your gift - you are helping to send more workers!

Ongoing Support for Work in Ukraine

Thank you for the financial support you have sent to fund our work with refugees here in Bratislava, and our trips to bring aid and encouragement in Ukraine. Our work continues, and the people and refugees of Ukraine are grateful for all those who have not grown weary in supporting them through works of compassion and love. Would you consider and pray about a special gift to invest in this work? The need is still overwhelming, so we pray the Lord will increase our capacity to both serve and give!

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