Gospel to the Young Generation in the Czech Republic

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Dear Friend,

I was visiting the secondary school classes and young people were listening actively to the program about the Bible. They shared that their favorite books are criminal stories and fantasy. Later we read about Solomon's wisdom when he judged "who is the mother of the child" and students were excited that the Bible contains such a story. During the break they came to me and asked if they could have a copy of the Bible. It was my privilege to give them a copy.

Jesus called us to be witnesses for "Judea," which means in the nation where we have been put and to witness to people who speak the same language.

For many years I was not able to see how I could influence the whole nation. I still do not know, but I can see that we can influence the new generation of young people in the schools if Christians actively share God's Love and Truth in their classes.

Teachers and lecturers from the Czech Christian Teachers' Network are influencing the 10% of teenagers in our country. Although it is nice to influence the teenagers, it is still not enough. The most important thing is to see them coming to Christ. We started the project of the Christian Lecturers' Portal in 2014: najdilektora.cz. This portal now represents 65 Christian lecturers with their 100's of Christian-based ethical and prevention programs. The main organizations that are doing the Christian lecturers program for schools came together to cooperate on the portal project: Nadace Mezinárodní potřeby (Czech International Needs) and F-nadace. I am administering F-nadace and I am also responsible for 17 lecturers. They were supported by the foundation in 2014 with \$75.000 (\$48.000 of this amount was given by Czech donors). Praise God!

Spiritual opposition

One experienced lecturer had a confrontation about the Christian content of the program in one public secondary school in Ostrava in 2005. This school is still closed to Christian lecturers to come and run their programs in the school. Every lecturer needs the guidance of the Holy Spirit and spiritual protection to work in public schools and bring Christ into the classes.

Christians cannot share the gospel in the public schools. If the lecturers are reading from the Bible, sharing their Christian experiences, giving the invitation for afternoon Christian programs, showing the Biblical perspective as one of the world views, they are not breaking the law.

But if the parents of the pupils are protesting what the lecturers are doing in the school, then the doors to the school are immediately closed.



Teachers' network has 270 members

Nada joined me in the ministry

When my wife heard my idea to leave the business and start to do full time ministry 12 years ago, she replied that we couldn't survive this way of life. She didn't want to be part of it. Two years later it became reality and God has faithfully started to provide for our family and we were able to live this difficult life of the faith.

Three years ago during Christmas time, I had burned out from ministry. My wife and I were praying for my terrible health condition, and for which direction we should continue if I had to go back into business.

We agreed together that I should continue in ministry to bring the good news to the young generation in our country.

This December my big dream became true. My wife is now doing ministry together with me as a half-time job. Praise the Lord!



Project: "Gospel to the Schools"

A Czech teacher Jana Polohová moved to the capital and she was applying for the job at the public high school. When the principal saw her certification for Christian education he replied, "You will never have a chance to use it at our school." Two years later the principal started a new optional subject for her called "Ethical Education and the Foundations of Christianity."

She has exceptional opportunity. Children in her classes can be taught about a better way of life. Jana is one of 200 teachers connected in the Christian Teachers' Network who are fighting for taking God's love and truth into the classes.

Jirka Folta is a lecturer for the young Christian leaders in the Josiah Venture programs. Jirka is visiting the public schools with a program about the Bible. After one program in a public secondary school in Opava, Katka came to Jirka and asked a lot of deep questions.

Jirka Folta



She was seeking God. For the first time, she learned that someone was praying for her. She left with a copy of the New Testament with a recommendation to read it during Christmas time. The program about the Bible explains the Gospel exceptionally. The Department of Education put this program on the public website for the schools. Jirka is one of 70+ lecturers connected with the Christian Teachers' Network who are coming into the schools with Christian-based ethical and prevention programs.

Do you want to help us take the Gospel into the Czech schools?

- You can adopt one of the teachers or lecturers to pray for!
- \$750 Enables us to create new Christian-based programs for schools and distribute it into 1 of 17 counties
- **\$500** Covers the education for a Christian teacher to teach Ethics
- \$150 Empowers one teacher through the Daniel Weekend
- **\$100** Equips one lecturer to use the Christian-based program
- **\$40** Gives the New Testament to 30 children in a classroom







My Prayer Requests

- To be a teacher who brings God's Words of Life
- The Czech Daniel weekend for Christian teachers in the secular public schools March 20-22nd
- Creation of a new lecture for the Czech Public Schools about John Hus and the 600 year anniversary of his death - he had been burned to death for faith in Christ
- Wisdom to invest into disciples who will make more disciples.
- Miriam's teachers bachelor graduation and Nela's first year at university to be an architect

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