



# The Long Lifeline

*A Heartbeat for the Kingdom*

## *A New Year, A New Role*

2019 brought so many wonderful things to the ministry in Hungary. As the year came to a close, we sat in awe of all God had done over the previous months. We have so much to be thankful for and we want to share some of those things with you! Here are a few highlights:

- In the fall, we welcome two additional missionary families to the Hungary team. Shannon and Aaron DePue, and their three children, arrived in August. Daniel and Amanda Buck arrived in November. Both couples will be working with our Business as Missions team.
- During the summer, we conducted two successful English camps, as well as a day camp. We also assisted with our partner's camp serving the Roma community.
- The chapel in Szentmargitfalva was completed and there is a growing community of believers there. They have already celebrated two baby dedications and a wedding!
- We were able to finally resolve the issue with our ministry center attic space with a successful agreement for us to use it as originally intended. We now have permission to finalize the renovation work.
- We oversaw the translation of our discipleship materials into the Hungarian language and were able to print 500 copies. The material has been presented and welcomed by our partners at the Hungarian Methodist Church, and discipleship groups are already forming.

As we look back, the biggest change for us personally was the promotion of Jonathan into the role of Associate Regional Director for the Eurasia region in October. Jonathan is working alongside the current regional director to better acquaint himself with the ministries and missionaries serving in our region. While he continues to lead the Hungary team, this new role means additional responsibilities and travel for him. In November, he traveled to the USA to participate in recruiting at the International Conference on Missions in Kansas City. He also had the opportunity to speak at several churches and share about our ministry and the many volunteer opportunities this year.

In December, Jonathan traveled to Italy, to meet with OMS missionaries Paul and Kate Keller. They are working in the Sicily area and Jonathan saw first-hand the incredible impact of the ministry there. He also was able to welcome new OMS Italy missionaries, Brad and Vicki McKinney, as they arrived to begin their ministry.

After the new year, Jonathan made the journey to Russia where he met OMS partners and visited the seminary in Moscow. He was able to travel to visit a small church denomination that OMS supports as well. It was a very impactful time for Jonathan, and he greatly enjoyed meeting our wonderful brothers and sisters in Russia.



Jonathan with some of our partners in Italy.

As we look to the coming months, Jonathan has several more trips scheduled. The plan is for him to assume the role of Regional Director for Eurasia in July. We are excited about the opportunity to share the vision God has given us for ministry in Europe through disciple-making

and partnering with churches. We also look with great anticipation to the many ministry events planned for Hungary this year. As you take a look at our schedule, please lift our family and our team in your prayers. God has great plans for expanding his kingdom in Europe, and we feel blessed to be just a small part of the work He is doing here.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support! We have been so blessed by your encouraging notes, emails, and messages. We would also love for you to consider joining us this year on one of our volunteer teams! If you are interested, please contact us!

Thank you for your support!

Jonathan, Corinne, Carter, Grant and Noemi



***Hungary Ministry Schedule:***

- Feb 24 - 28** Corinne in Croatia for conference
- May 16 - 30** MFM Construction Team - Ministry Center Renovation
- June 15 - 19** Day Camp, Letenye
- July 2 - 13** English Camp 1, Vác
- July 16 - 27** English Camp 2, Vác

***Jonathan's Travel Schedule:***

- March 13 - 16** Belgium
  - March 23 - 28** Ireland
  - April 14 - 20** Israel
  - May 1 - 7** Spain
  - May 11 - 15** Central Asia
  - June 15 - 25** OMS HQ, USA
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