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GOD IS GOOD!!!! Our theme last year was definitely "Jehovah Jireh" – The Lord Provides! The weak dollar meant we were under-supported in the beginning of the year and we had to live on our savings for a few months. But then God provided the needed support last summer and we are so grateful!


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In October, we really needed another car and God again provided through you! We found this car; a 2-year old Chrysler Voyager with 142.000 kilometers on it. So... the price was right and it drives on propane at \$2.00 per gallon (as compared to \$7.00 per gallon for gasoline) We want to thank those of you who gave so generously and made it possible for us to use this as the family bus and church bus. We never realized how much chauffeuring you do as a missionary!

Then God provided the needed support for our trip to Serbia. As you get this letter we will be speaking at a conference for Serbian pastors and their wives. Our colleagues with GEM invited us to come and be their guest speakers and then told us that the pastors there who need this kind of encouragement so much, have no money to come to a pastor's retreat. So.... What to do? Margré prayed about it and worked to raise up sponsors so that the 62 pastor's couples can retreat in the mountains of Kopaonik, south of Belgrade. Please pray for us as we minister's God's love to these very tired ministers who work full-time jobs in addition to being fulltime pastors. Thanks, too, to those that gave towards this project.



The 40 days of purpose campaign (based on the book: *Purpose Driven Life*, by Rick Warren) is a blessing for those involved. One lady to whom we have been ministering for 10 years said: "I finally made the turn around." As a Catholic I always did good in order to please God. Now I understand that God loves me unconditionally and I want to do good to love Him in return. My life is so different now and I finally understand you!"

So... for now... we'll leave you with this: please pray for our family as we only have 4 more months of all 7 of us being together. Tristan will move in with his biological mother in May and Ariel and Alexa will go to Philadelphia Biblical University in August. Pray that we will have special times as a family before the nest becomes emptier.

Much love in Him under whose wings we find our shelter,

Peter and Margré Hays and kids.

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