



ONE LIFE AT A TIME...

It has been an extraordinarily busy season here in Zagreb, Croatia, but as we sow, God continues to give the increase. The Lord is faithfully building His church, one life at a time.

MARCH

The first week of March, more than 40 women gathered at our church for this year's women's conference, Take Your Wings. As we prepared for the conference, we centered it around the story of Mary Magdalene, focusing on the theme, The Cost of Anointing.



Our dear friend Jody Van Rhee traveled all the way from Utah to minister to the women. Through both her personal testimony and her simple yet deeply powerful teaching, she encouraged us to surrender our gifts and talents fully to God and to trust Him with every step of our calling—even when the road ahead feels uncertain.



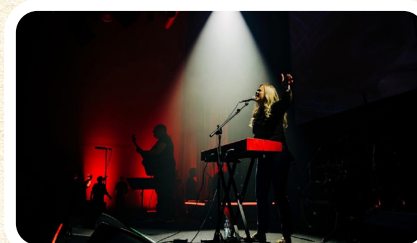
Throughout the weekend, the workshops and sessions brought practical wisdom, encouragement, and honest conversations. Times of worship and prayer gave women opportunities to encounter God in a personal and refreshing way. By the end of the conference, many shared that they were leaving feeling strengthened, renewed, and reminded of the purpose God has placed on their lives.

APRIL

Almost exactly a month later, our church had the privilege of joining the Louis Palau Association and churches from across Zagreb for a night of worship and prayer. It had been more than ten years since churches in Zagreb gathered together for something on this scale, which made the evening especially meaningful. More than 600 Protestant believers came together as part of the preparation for the larger evangelistic outreach, Zagreb Fest, taking place in June. There was something powerful about seeing pastors from different churches standing side by side, praying together, worshipping together, and sharing the same heart for our city.



Alongside Hillsong London, our worship team, Bez Kompromisa, had the opportunity to lead worship in Croatian. For many believers there, hearing worship in their own language during such a united gathering was deeply moving and encouraging.



Our youth leaders wanted to build on that momentum, so the next day we gathered our youth group and headed out for a weekend getaway at a small campground in Severin na Kupu. It was a simple and relaxed weekend filled with volleyball, archery, board games, laughter, and lots of time together - but also intentional moments challenging our young people to go deeper in their relationship with God and to boldly pursue everything He has for them.



This retreat was another step toward our beloved summer camp, IZAZOV, in August!

Please continue to keep our young people in your prayers - that their faith would grow deep roots and that they would continue to thrive in their walk with God.



MAY

In May, we once again partnered with the Louis Palau Association and pastors across Zagreb to host a School of Evangelism in preparation for the June festival outreach. Around 100 volunteers from churches across the city came together to be equipped and encouraged for evangelism and outreach.



Alongside the larger city-wide event, churches across the city have also been planning smaller evenings specifically for women and men - creating opportunities where people can invite their friends, family members, neighbors, and colleagues to encounter the Gospel in a more personal and relational way.

We would truly value your prayers during this season - that God would continue preparing hearts, opening doors, and guiding every step ahead.



We are so grateful for each of you who continues to pray for and support our ministry here in Croatia. Your encouragement, generosity, and faithful prayers mean more than we can fully express. It is a blessing to know that we are not serving alone, but together with people who share our heart to see lives transformed by the Gospel. May you be richly blessed, just as you have been a blessing to others!



Blessings,

Mario and Bonnie Dučić

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