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Dear praying friends,

I want to share with you a few prayer requests and items for praise:

1. Bible translation is a huge task. There are 1,189 chapters in the Bible and the task at times seems overwhelming. Where do you begin? It is not wise to wait to print until the entire Bible is translated (which could take 20 years). It is better to translate a portion and distribute as you go. But where do you begin? **In the coming days, I hope to develop a suggested order of which chapters to translate in which order into various Roma dialects.** I will need much wisdom as we think through the issues and decide which chapters to do first, and in which combinations, etc. For example, the first thing translated into new Roma dialects will probably be a short booklet with 4-6 chapters from one of the Gospels. The next step is probably going to be a collection of 50 or so chapters covering major events from Genesis to Revelation. Narrowing down from 1,189 chapters to about 50 is no easy task. Please pray for much wisdom and for God to grant success in this endeavor, for His glory.
2. I was thinking today about how prone I am to pray for new things and not stop to give thanks for what God has already done. When a prayer is answered, it is very tempting to voice a quick word of gratitude and then rush on to the next prayer need. But how would you feel as a parent



if your kids were always asking for things and rarely stopping to thank you for things you've already done for them. Years ago, our Bible college president suggested that if we pray for a week for something, then we should certainly thank God for a week after it is answered. And I am reminded how often the Scriptures speak of "forget(ting) not all his benefits" (Psalm 103:2) and "recount(ing) all His

wonderful deeds” (Psalm 9:1). So in that spirit, I wanted to take a moment and thank God for his provision and answer to some past prayer requests:

- a. As I look out my office window this morning, I see a van in front of our house. Remember when our van was stolen and we spent 3 months praying for a replacement? God answered and we have been driving and enjoying this van now for over 3 months. Thank you, Lord.
 - b. Remember a couple years ago, when we decided to move to Hungary to work on Roma Bible translation. At that time, we needed \$1,900 per month, as well as \$48,000 in one-time gifts. We represented this in our prayer letters with two thermometers to indicate where we were at in reaching these goals. One friend, referring to how low the mercury was on those financial thermometers, said, “It’s mighty cold!” But now we can look back and see that our Father has provided 100% of our support needs. Thank you, Lord.
 - c. There have been so many wonderful answers to prayer over the last several years: God’s guidance in deciding which country to go to and the specific ministry we were to have after leaving Bosnia; God’s amazing grace and provision as Todd worked 3 ½ years to earn his PhD; God providing a wonderful house for us to rent in Budapest which meets our family and ministry needs. Thank you, God.
3. Please be in prayer for Pam’s mom, **Barbie Hughes**, for her heart to be strong and regulated in its beats and that she can have surgery for a pacemaker soon. Pray for safety, good health and grace for her in this health need.
 4. I have sent my PhD thesis to one publisher who is considering publishing it in one of their series. Please pray for the Lord’s provision and grace and, if he wants it to be published, that He will provide the right publisher as well as the time I will need to make any necessary revisions.
 5. Please pray for a **very important meeting that our director, Bob Hitching, will be having soon in London** with a partner organization. Pray for much wisdom and for God’s guidance for our working relationship with them, for goals and plans, and for Roma Bible translation.
 6. Pray for our dear Hungarian partner, Nóri (pictured here with her daughter, also named Nóri, and Pam and Ariela). Pray for wisdom and God’s strength in knowing what her continuing role in Bible translation should be, which is challenging as a new mother and busy pastor’s wife.

Thank you for praying!
Todd

