



CHURCH OF GOD

IN REPUBLIC OF CROATIA



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Dear Brothers and Sisters!

We witness amazing and wonderful works of our Lord. One historic moment is that the Church of God has been enrolled in the Registry of the Churches and Religious Congregations in Bosnia and Herzegovina. We hosted a Church Planting University seminar this February. Our outreach meeting "Valley of Blessings", which includes Book-Stand ministry, made wonderful progress.

First of all, I would like to thank you for the powerful prayers you submit to the Lord in favor of His work among us, and also to the benefit of us who are co-workers in His Kingdom.



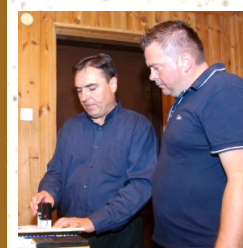
The sign says, "Church of God in Bosnia and Herzegovina, church municipality Ostra Luka".

CHURCH OF GOD IN BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA

We give thanks to the Lord for His marvelous works in our midst. After many years of our prayers and work with people in northern Bosnia, called Posavina, God crowned these efforts at the very end of last year. On October 11, 2012, all necessary documents had been mailed to the Ministry of Justice of Bosnia and Herzegovina, based in its capital city Sarajevo. Later on their demand we supplied them with some additional documents. On that occasion, we traveled to Sarajevo on November 11, 2012, and delivered required documents to the Ministry of Justice personally. And then, before 2012 had expired, we received a positive response: the answer to prayers of many.

Today the Church of God in Bosnia and Herzegovina has the full status of a recognized denomination. What an amazing work of the Lord!!! Please, let's pray together so that this can be a great blessing to the peoples of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Signing documents.



CPU Seminar

We feel privileged to welcome and host lecturers and attendees of the second CPU seminar, February 21-23. This was wonderful experience. During the opening evening, in the worship hall of the Church of God in Vinkovci, dr. Peter Kuzmic, Rector of the Evangelical Theological Seminary in Osijek, greeted everyone and spoke words of support toward this seminar. We praise the Lord for people like dr. Jonathan Augustine, Jerry Lillard, Miroslav Radovanovic and others who invested lots of energy in preparing the seminar, teaching and sharing their rich experience. Attendees came from Hungary and from almost all the republics of former Yugoslavia: Macedonia, Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, etc. During the last evening session, many shared what the seminar meant to them. They emphasized how they were spiritually uplifted, refreshed and encouraged to step out with a vision of church planting.

CPU Seminar IN PICTURES



Left:
Representatives of
the churches in the
area.

Right: Croatians,
Serbs, Bosnians,
Macedonians,
Hungarians
together in the
workshop.



Above: Mission activity with Jerry
Lillard in Ariston Hotel, Osijek



Brother Lazo with dr. Jonathan Augustine
and dr. Peter Kuzmic.



Left and above: Worship
service in Church of God in
Vukovar with dr. Jonathan
Augustine.



THE VALLEY OF BLESSINGS

This outreach ministry on a monthly basis with a
purpose to reach the lost for Christ. It takes place in Lav
(Lion) Hotel located in downtown Vukovar.



Our monthly outreach meeting in Lav
Hotel, in downtown Vukovar, was a big
success in February. We had a record
number of attendees, over 60, and at least
ten newcomers.

Video clips of this event can be seen on
our web page: www.am-video.org



Many stopped at our Christian Book-
Stand, located also in downtown, which is
approved by city officials. This was a
wonderful opportunity for us to share the
Gospel.

Channel One of the Croatian Television
(HRT 1) announced our event in prime time.



OTHERS. During Christmas time we visited A Home for Adult Mentally Sick People in Nustar. We sang Christmas carols and offered a short Christmas message. We have wonderful relationship with Nenad, director of the Home. We also provided pastoral care for some of the members there.

Love in Christ,

Matej Lazar Kovacevic