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"I the Lord do not change" (Malachi 3:6).

I suppose many of us have got tired of the present uncertainties. I have heard several times the following saying: "There is nothing like change," but I don't think so. Not being able to plan the future frustrates me. The reality of living according to God's word gives safety, peace, gladness, delight, new strength, and impetus. One of our hymns often crosses my mind:

"Our life is only moments, You are the Lord forever
The Lord of past ages, God before all...
Reigning in Heaven, You love us forever..."

I am grateful that in our doubts we can turn to Him, to our Heavenly Father, for encouragement and new strength.



The Family

God listens to our prayers, and now **István** and Gyula have plenty of work again. How reassuring that God will provide for their work, too.

At **Anna's** workplace, several personnel changes have taken place; therefore, the future remains a question. She participates in a new course, which may help her take a step further. Her daughter, **Fanni**, is struggling with her fourth-grade studies due to the daily school-system changes of the pandemic. They would like to live together but they are still waiting for God's guidance.

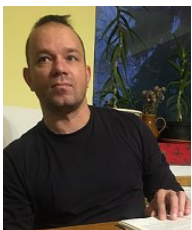
Rózsika experiences God's comfort every day but she must fight the absence of her husband again and again.

Csaba P. continues his studies avidly beside his work, with the support of his workplace. He will qualify as an electrician.

As to the **R.** family: the father and husband, **Nori**, found work; he works for a company with his sons. **Liza** continues her studies at high school; **Vali** lost her previous job, though she still has occasional cleaning work. They would like to find a flat in Dunakeszi to be able to live independently.

Laci Sz. and **Bea** with their five-year-old **Móni**, and two-year-old **Fanni** lead a more and more harmonious life. Bea and Laci could find work in the place they live. They could experience God's grace in it in the past couple of months. Because of his former cases, Laci has to pay fines which can be solved out of their salaries.

Zoli J. needs permanent, declared work.



Norbi F. may spend what is left from his sentence in reintegration custody at us. His mother died a few days ago, but he could meet her before, and they could talk a lot by phone as well. This was not possible in the prison.

We are truly grateful to our Lord that until now the Covid pandemic has not caused trouble to the people in the house.



Our Church and Services

The situation has not changed: We are roughly 30 people coming together in the church, and the Zoom platform still helps many people to participate in the services.

French Relief

The workers of the Espoit et Vie have been obliged to make a decision because of their age. They can no longer undertake the deliveries with the long journeys by lorry, but assured us that they would not forget about us. They recommended us to the Partage Plus. Brother Daniel Surat got in touch with me in email, offering his help for the future. We are negotiating our common future work. He was at us a

couple of years ago, helping in the transport of a delivery. We are truly grateful for the plenty of help, love, and connections going on for years. We are somewhat (?) sad, but it is a comfort that we will meet in Heaven. We hope they will visit us even without deliveries. Beside our hearts, our homes are also open for them.

Bread Distribution

The venue of bread distribution has changed. This activity has also been done in the warehouse given to us by the local autonomy. Although the building is situated in the outskirts of the town, the local bus service works there as well.

Community Service

There are 20 people doing diverse tasks in community service continually as their sentence. Besides, several students also did their 50-hour community service at us required for the matura exam. We were especially glad that 28 students from the Waldorf school in Fót worked a whole day in our warehouse. Our American missionary worker thanked them for their work with a 20-minute programme. Community service is always a useful opportunity for people to get to know the message of Christianity.



Prison Mission

Owing to the pandemic, the situation changes almost on a daily or weekly basis as to whether we are allowed to enter the prison or have a Skype service. Now, when I am writing these lines, a complete lockdown is in effect. For the time being, we can only record and send services into the prisons where the inmates may watch them on cctv.

Christmas Preparations

As a result, we take packets to the prison where, following a few-day-long quarantine, prison chaplains and reintegration officers hand them out to inmates.

In this way, at least, 3000 calendars containing words of God can be hung on the walls of cells, and plenty of evangelistic reading materials can be given into the hands of inmates.

Our task is to prepare and take 1400 packets into the prisons of Balassagyarmat and Baracska (the packets contain some sweets as well), furthermore, to provide for the requested calendars and books to be taken or posted to our missionary workers who serve the Lord in other prisons.

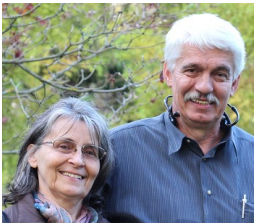
Children will not be forgotten in this year either; we organise a Christmas programme for them in our church.



Our Cars

Our three cars are getting old and they need lots of services. Our deliveries have been done with two cars until now: a Toyota Hiace microbus for nine passengers, and a Toyota Previa for seven passengers. In the past couple of months, the Hiace broke down completely due to its old bodywork, that is why, we had to use, or rather should have used, the Previa for deliveries (of bread, clothes, furniture, people, etc.). However, the Previa was also taken in for a service many times owing to its serious undercarriage problems. Therefore, beside spending much money on the cars, we are hindered in our work to a great extent. Praying, we are looking for a solution, either in maintenance or in a possible purchase of a car.

We Wish You a Peaceful Christmas and a New Year Full of God's Blessings!



Thank you for praying for us until now; we ask you to do it in the future, too,
since we need it very much.

We thank you your financial support as well.

Szabó József and Éva (Jóska & Vicus)