



JR & Ingrid Peck in Hungary

Leveraging the power of technology to reach Eastern Europe, Russia, and Israel for Christ.



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С Новым годом! Boldog Új Évet! Happy New Year! Gëzuar Vitin e Ri!

Dear Friends,

It is hard to believe, but we are already at the end of another year. I don't know about you, but to me it feels like time just goes by so quickly.

I like to take the end of the year and the start of the next to look back and then look forward. I'm a bit of an optimist and so the looking forward is my favorite part but there is real value in seeing how we got to where we are today.

This year was another great year for us in so many ways. God encouraged us in the growth of our children. Spiritually and physically we are watching them start to turn the corner of becoming young adults. This month Rachel just turned 14. In February Hannah will be 13 and Eddie will be 11.

We were humbled to see God work in and through us this year as well. Ingrid continues to be a favorite of parents and students at the International Christian School of Budapest. Her enthusiasm not just for math but for the hearts of the children in her care really shows.

For me things keep getting busier. The longer we are here the better understanding I have of the needs among the national ministries and the better the leaders know me and ask me to help. There has been plenty to do since we arrived but I keep seeking to be more and more strategic in how I use the time God has given me here.

We have faced challenges as well and we

appreciate your prayers and encouragement. We need it so much. We are not discouraged and we will not give up but we so very much need your partnership.

This year was more challenging than normal with health issues. Hannah broke her arm playing soccer. Rachel is back in braces (she's not too excited about that) and we are slowly tracking down some issues Rachel has with food that we think may be allergy related. Eddie had a couple months of dealing with a skin virus that we think he picked up in Albania.

Medical care here is good but working in a second language and a different system is not easy. We do thank God though for the care the kids have received.

Most importantly, God is at work in Eastern Europe and Russia. He is drawing people to himself and changing individuals, families and impacting culture.

Thank you for being a part of it with us. Thank you for helping us to be here, where there is so much spiritual need.

JR, Ingrid and the kids

Prayer Requests:

- Pray for Rachel that we would sort out what foods are giving her trouble soon.
- Praise God for a good trip for JR to Moscow. Pray for his return trip (probably in March) to finish the job started in December.
- Please pray for the Expedition teams. They are on a break now and in about a week they start back up in new cities. We have seen many students commit to sharing Christ on their campuses.
- Please pray for our staff in Ukraine that they would be safe during the current political turmoil and that they would be able to use this time to reach many for Christ.

The New Year wishes at the top are in Russian, Hungarian, English and Albanian. Just a few of the 17 languages used in our area.



Eddie's baseball team made it to the national little league championship game again. And lost again. But it was very close and we are just so thankful he gets to play. The girls both played volleyball, basketball, soccer and Hannah also ran track. Rachel is in the middle of the back row above and Hannah is closest to the camera.



Our time in Albania was definitely one of the highlights of our year.

Eddie hanging around in Ingrid's class room. ICSB is a huge part of our lives and a great blessing.



Rachel as Mrs. Potts and Hannah in a number of roles, including as a spoon, took part in the jr. high musical at ICSB. The girls did a fantastic job. Rachel is above on the left, in the blue and white dress. Hannah is in the photo on the right—also in blue and white.