



### **Music Band**

Igor has his music band with four members so far, and they are doing a great job. All of them have a wonderful time together while they are practicing, playing, singing, talking, and laughing together. We hope that some new boys or girls will join us this summer. Pray for Lovro, Kristina, Bruna, and Franka, that their hearts will be more open to God through the power of Christian music, fellowship, and new friendships.

### **Youth Magazine**

Mateja is currently writing and organizing the summer edition of our youth magazine. Igor is helping her with some ideas and he wrote one nice article. Our theme this time will be, *A Better Life*, and we hope that we will, with this special edition, bless many young people, their families, and their friends.

# **Preparations for Camps**

Steve, Igor, and Mateja are busy with the preparations for Champs Camp (June 27-30) and our Youth Camp (July 12-16). Please pray for the kids and youth that will join us this summer. For Champs Camp we will have a group of Americans with us from the Round Rock Church of Christ, in Round Rock, Texas. For the Youth Camp we have 20 teenagers coming (along with their adult sponsors) from the Southside Church of Christ, in Lexington, Kentucky. They are coming to join our teens for the camp. This summer at our camps we will have not only Croatian and American kids, but also Iranian, Syrian, and Ukrainian children and teens.

# Lana

Mateja and Lana have their regular meetings every week. Lana is growing in her faith and she is asking a lot of questions. She is also more free and open with other youth when we are meeting together. During their last meeting, Mateja shared some challenges that she had when she was Lana's age, and Lana was deeply touched. God is moving in Lana's heart.

### Tesa

Tesa and Mateja have a nice time together every week. Tesa is also more open and she wants to talk about her life and she wants to share with Mateja everything that happened that week in her life. She has some knowledge about God, but they need to study and talk more. Please pray for Tesa.

# CHAMPS CAMP

### **Prayers**

- Steve, Igor, and Mateja, for health, wisdom, strength, and peace.
- Youth and music ministry.
- Personal contacts.
- Preparations for camps (and for kids from Croatia, the USA, Iran, Syria, and Ukraine who will be with us).
- Our Ukrainian friends, for peace in their hearts, and in their country.

### Marija

Mateja became closer to Marija. She is with our youth group the last 7 months, and Mateja will start soon to have some more conversations with her. Please pray for this opportunity.

### Dunja

She is coming only sometimes, because she has many things after her school. But every time when she comes she is a blessing to others. Dunja is very friendly and she loves to meet with Mateja. Please pray that she can be more regular with our ministry.

## Irina, Magdalena, and Ika

Mateja also has good relationships with these girls, and their parents love that we have youth meetings and other activities for them. Please pray for more private meetings with them, because Mateja wants that they will deepen their relationships with God.



### Jan and Maks

After two months of not seeing each other (because of Steve being consumed with helping Ukrainian refugees), Steve was finally able to again have some time with both Jan and Maks this month. It was a blessing, as both of them opened up areas of their lives they had not shared before. Please pray that Steve will be able to re-establish this regular weekly time with them.

### Lovro

Lovro is Marija's brother. They are both coming to our youth meetings and almost everything that we are organizing. Lovro connected with Igor and he joined our band last Saturday.

# **Ukrainian Refugees**

We all continue to help a number of Ukrainian refugees in various ways. Igor has been developing a friendship with Alexander, and helping him with the process of buying a car. Mateja is helping and having fellowship with two women (both named Yulia) and their children. We hope that God will help them to adjust to our culture and city and that we can be blessings and help to them. Also pray for their kids and youth, as they will join us in the summer camps. Steve is helping all of them with things like: making sure they have some monthly support, to help bridge the gap between what money that have

available and what things actually cost here; helping them find and get connected with various local resources and services; etc. Several from our church have also been helping them as well.

