



The Petersens *in Poland*

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Dear praying friends,

Thanks again for praying for us! We are coming to the official end of summer vacation as school resumes in Poland on September 1. This signifies the ends of family vacations and people normally “get down to business, work, and back to routine. They take their vacation time seriously here in Europe, and Poland is no exception to that.

Prayer Requests:

- Because vacation time is drawing to a close, Mike was invited to go to the Baltic and spend a few days with Henryk J. (Sylwek’s dad) on his son’s yacht (a homemade boat—not a luxury liner like you might imagine) so he decided to go this afternoon and stay until Wed. This will leave me here at the house, holding down the fort. Please pray that Mike will have a good chance to talk with Henryk while he’s spending time with him. Henryk is not a believer and really shows no sign of conviction of sin or concern. Just pray for salvation.
- Asia continues to have anxiety issues. Pray for her salvation.
- A man, Andrzej, and his mom, Lucja (Lucy), came today—they have come off and on for some time now. He spends part of his time in the Ukraine because he has a wife and children there, and part of his time here in Poland with his mom. (I don’t get it either... just telling you what’s up). She is over 80 and they WALK to church when they come. Very slowly—I am sure it must take close to an hour. I was feeling terrible that I didn’t pick her up, so today I offered to take them home. On one hand, it is excellent for her to walk to church, though, as she gets exercise, but on the other hand I know that she has been struggling with issues with one of her feet lately. They are both professing believers. Andrzej needs work. I suggested that he might look for work as a guard, but he told me that it wasn’t work for a Christian. ?? Anyway, pray that he would get some work.
- Our kids as BJU starts back again. Daniel is in his first year, Lydia in her fourth and Julia S. is in her fourth year and should graduate, this year, Lord willing. She was recently engaged to an MK from Papua New Guinea, Ben Ritschard. (This is our Polish girl, Julia). Please pray for concentration and financial needs for all three.
- Julia’s mom, Ela S. wasn’t at church today – salvation issues.

Praise:

- My ear is fine now. Thanks for praying!
- Daniel, Lydia, and Julia all made it safely to Greenville, SC this past week. Lydia had to drive up by herself, but she logged onto a program that let us watch her progress via GPS on her phone, so it was helpful. Her car is getting close to 30 years old now, ('89) so it is of some concern as she drives 500 miles by herself. But she made it. She had to get to school early for some work related training.

Thanks again for praying! We do appreciate you all!

Nahum 1:7 from Poland,
Becky Petersen – Mike and Becky Petersen