



Serving the people of Poland since 1954
Polish Christian Ministries
May 2020

"May the God of HOPE fill you with all peace and joy as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with HOPE by the power of the Holy Spirit." Romans 15:13

MOVING FORWARD

OUR PRIORITIES REMAIN THE SAME

**SALARIES FOR 52 POLISH NATIONALS
FUNDS FOR CHURCH BUILDING PROJECTS
ENCOURAGEMENT FOR PASTORS/LEADERS**

PCM continues to move forward,
thanking God for His faithful provision.

Although PCM's priorities remain the same, the Covid-19 pandemic has limited our travel both in Poland and within the States. Our six summer initiatives with Polish churches and Ostróda Camp have been canceled. The annual pastor's conference scheduled for early June has been postponed to late summer or early fall. Still, PCM is moving forward and seeking new and creative ways to come alongside our Polish partners. We are thankful to God for our faithful supporters who help us accomplish our priorities.

EMPTY STREETS

Old Town Warsaw, typically bustling with tourists and visitors, is quiet and empty except for a few folks out for a stroll. Just as in the States, Poland remains in quarantine as the month of May begins. Some restrictions have been lifted, e.g., parks and forests are now open, but social distancing is still enforced and face masks are required when going out to essential places. The Polish borders remain closed to foreigners indefinitely. Our plans to walk these streets in just a few short weeks have been postponed. We miss you, Poland, and hope to see you soon!



SPRING BOARD MEETING



For the first time in PCM's history, we held our spring Board meeting virtually. Since traveling was not an issue, the individual committees were able to meet separately over a week's time, which actually was advantageous. The entire Board then met for a concluding two days of reporting and prayer. It was great to have guests from Poland join our meetings to provide insight into ministry. We are so thankful for the PCM Board members who serve so tirelessly for the sake of God's churches in Poland.

ONLINE YOUTH GROUP

PCM partner Oksana Bilous has been pouring into the lives of the youth in NE Poland since 2013. Recently along with Kyle Duba (Faith 2 Faith Ministries), they have watched as God has grown this ministry and changed lives along the way. Now with the Covid-19 restrictions in place, they maintain contact with the youth through live meetings each week on Instagram. They provide worship, teaching, fun interaction, and timely encouragement so needed by the youth during this time. We thank God for this vibrant ministry.





UNLIKELY GUESTS

Knowing it's not always easy to preach online to an empty sanctuary, one of our Polish pastor's wives encouraged her husband by inviting some special guests to sit up front. It is reported that they remained quite attentive throughout the service.

\$63,024 TO DATE!

Spring has arrived in Poland and three major building projects are looking to continue moving forward, provided the local Polish government allows them to do so AND there are funds available. All the designated funds for these projects will have been sent by the end of May. PCM is hoping to continue to support these projects throughout the summer. Please join with us in prayer as we seek God's wisdom and provision.



PRAYER REQUESTS

Praise God for. . .

- . . .His care and provision during the Covid-19 pandemic.
- . . .Polish pastors/leaders who continue to faithfully serve their congregations during this difficult time.
- . . .U.S. churches/individuals who come alongside our Polish pastors/leaders.
- . . .today's technology which allows us to stay in touch and find encouragement in the Lord together.

Please pray for. . .

- . . .our Polish pastors/leaders to be encouraged as they seek to comfort and encourage their congregations.
- . . .adequate funds to provide the monthly salaries for the 52 nationals PCM supports.
- . . .building/renovation projects to go forward.
- . . .Laura and Asia (the wives of two of our leaders) as they fight cancer.
- . . .Basia Zwolinska (wife of Olsztyn pastor Marcin Zwolinski) and her family as they grieve the loss of her mother.
- . . .Basia Kosewska (wife of CSM director Adam Kosewski) and her family as they grieve the loss of her father.
- . . .the presidential election scheduled for May 10. Going forward with an election amidst pandemic restrictions has caused concern and may result in a boycott.
- . . .more rain to fall in Poland. A lack of rain and snow thus far this year is causing near drought-like conditions.

If your church is interested in having PCM come to your congregation in 2020 or beyond, please contact David at dave.hatfield777@gmail.com or call him at 810-923-0226.

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