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Thanksgiving Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ! Praise the Lord for this time of year! It was 32 years ago, when I was invited to Trinity Baptist Church in Jacksonville, Florida, and heard a wonderful Gospel message. I went forward at the invitation and received the Lord Jesus Christ as my Lord and Saviour. The last 32 years have not been without its trials, but I praise the Lord for all He has done for me and my family!

It was 18 years ago when I made my first trip to Russia, and 16 years ago when our family went to Russia for our first term as missionaries. Our family is not perfect, but I praise the Lord we are all still serving the Lord in our own little corner of the world. Since coming to Budapest, this will be my wife and my 3rd Thanksgiving without the kids. Praise the Lord for Skype that enables us to talk with the kids and see the grandkids on a video call. The Lord has given us 2 wonderful daughters-in-law, and 2 great sons-in-law. We have 5 grandchildren, including 1 in heaven already. We are expecting our first grandson in January and another grandchild in

June. Our youngest daughter is now in her 3rd year of Bible college at Heartland Baptist Bible College. God has really blessed our family.

The Lord has really been working here, as we have seen 3 of the children saved earlier this fall, and then baptized this past Sunday. We overcame some traditional hurdles as the children were allowed to get baptized. One visitor has been here for 3 Sundays and is very interested in our church. He comes from a Hungarian Reformed background. He speaks English and Russian, as well as Hungarian, so Praise the Lord we can communicate. We had a very good mission conference the first week of November, and also the church's 11th anniversary. As there is a lot of excitement in the air, we are really praying for the Lord to revive His church in these last days.

My wife and I have been encouraged as we are beginning to learn Hungarian. I have preached several times this year in Hungarian and I am plowing full speed ahead trying to get a hold of this language. Please be much

in prayer for spiritual growth in the church members, and for a couple of young people to be saved. I have been challenged, by the Lord I believe, for 50 people to get saved, and baptized, and serving with us in the church this next year. The need is so great here in the land of Catholicism, and Calvinism. Please pray with us for a great victory for our Lord Jesus Christ!

In closing, I want to wish you all a Happy Thanksgiving, and a Merry Christmas season, and a Happy New Year! May the Lord give us all a great and prosperous year as we serve Him together! Praise the Lord for the privilege, and the opportunity to serve Him. Bye for now, and till next time, I'll be...

In the field,

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