

Romany Gypsy Ministry Newsletter

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Cinobana Partnership Project

Thank you for your recent gifts to the Cinobana Partnership Project. We are still far from being able to complete the project. In the last newsletter I mentioned Eva. Last month we were able to attend the baptismal service at Lucenec Baptist Church on 12 October where Eva and several others were baptized. What a joy it was to hear her testimony about the impact the Cinobana ministry center has had on her life!



Magalena, from Cinobana, drinking from the Common Cup after her baptism on 12 October 2008

Speaking about the Cinobana fellowship, Eva said, “These young people (who lead the Cinobana Fellowship) showed me what love is. God changed my thoughts and heart.” She went on, “I now have a second family.”

Here is how you can help: Continue to pray for Eva and the Cinobana partnership. \$400 dollars is needed to complete reconstruction of the bathroom (ceiling, walls, and water heater). \$1,500 is needed now to complete reconstruction of one small room in the home (furnishings).

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Excerpt from story prepared for the Slovak Bible Society

The McNarys and the Slovak Bible Society recently formed a partnership to produce a series of videos in Slovak and Romani language. “Through developing Scripture-oriented animated videos in Romani, the goal is to help equip churches in their outreach to Roma,” Shane said.

The McNarys selected the Ruth video as their first collaborative effort because of the story it conveys. “It’s the story of a traveler without a home who not only finds a place in society despite all odds, but finds a place of honor,” Shane said. With the recent codification of Romani language in Slovakia, the McNarys hope this piece can play a small part in educating Roma and non-Roma in the Romani language. “We believe that having the words of the Biblical story conveyed in your heart language is a powerful reminder that God’s love extends to every tribe, every nation, every tongue,” Shane said. He said, however, even more important than the language is the message. “Once the message is known then communication between persons, majority and minority populations, can take place via the story, not the words.”

The McNarys’ partnership with the Slovak Bible society has also enabled them to provide Bibles to the Cinobana Fellowship, a mixed Roma and non-Roma congregation, which started in 2005. “Having a Bible in hand is a power tool. The power of the Holy to speak to persons through the Scripture is how God speaks to the church and calls others to the church today.” The McNarys are confident that the growth of the fellowship will be strengthened after receiving the texts.

“I am convinced that Holy Spirit has already gifted the church in Slovakia with all gifts -- spiritual, physical, financial -- to accomplish what God has called her to do,” Shane said. “Through partnerships, we hope to encourage those gifts.”

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