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Dear Praying Friends,

"I am from the former Czech Republic," said the smiling lady in front of us. Mrs. Lida began telling us her story of how she grew up in a Communist country. Her parents would secretly sneak her into the Catholic church for holidays. This was all that she knew about God before coming to Canada. She told us, "If

people saw you going to church, your names would be put on a list by the government as suspicious citizen." All her life she wanted to know more about God. Thirty years ago she moved to Canada. After a brief interest in religion she got busy with life, settling into Canada and raising her daughter. It wasn't until 25 years later that she began to slowly attend different churches to start learning about God again. The pandemic restrictions interrupted her church attendance. She also found the message incomplete at many of the churches she was visiting. She began coming to our church after a friend invited her.

She was excited, enjoying each service. When we were preparing for our baptism service, she requested to be baptized as well. So I sat down with her to talk to her about salvation. It was clear there were still some things she didn't understand. My wife and I walked her through a lesson about salvation. She was struggling with understanding faith. We took a few weeks break and planned to meet up again. When we sat down for the second meeting, I began to share the Bible story of the blind man who was healed and later trusted Christ for salvation. We explained to her that knowledge of Christ alone was not salvation. Before I could even finish the story, she stopped me and said, "That was me! I did that last week during Wednesday Bible Study while you were teaching!"

We were in shock and amazement as we had been fervently praying for her to fully understand and accept Christ. This had happened privately under the Lord's conviction without us even knowing! What a blessing to see her eyes opened to the glorious gospel of Christ. She has since excitedly been baptized with her daughter in attendance and began discipleship with a lady in our church.

This last month we have been able to use the donated funds to begin our live stream ministry. It has been an opportunity to involve church members in serving and an effective way to get out the gospel while providing a sneak-peek into services. This helps people in visiting church for the first time. Our website interest has gone up significantly since starting livestream. Thank you for all who have given to this. We believe it will be a great help to our ministry. We have also designed a new ministry update video that will be included with the email letter and can be accessed via QR code on the bottom of the letter. God bless you!



Serving in the City,

Cory McTeague

