

Summer 2012 News Letter

Dear friends

Thank you for your prayers, encouragement and support

I have great joy to share with you exciting news about the activities I have been involved this summer, first SOZO festival in Serbia Novi Sad, outstanding Nick Vujicic campaign from my angle and some great family news.



Dream to have
SOZO festival in
Novi Sad come
true.

Last 6 months I have spent most of my time organizing this event. In the end we had 150 participants on our seminars, 6 excellent seminars, 9 outstanding teachers, 80 volunteers from 24 different nations, all of Novi Sad churches involved in this event, great evening concerts of the different genres of the Gospel music performed by 15 different artists, bands and choirs on the popular Novi Sad beach STRAND.

Seminars took place in the Baptist church and Christian Fellowship Church. Concerts were in the club Route 66 and on the popular Novi Sad beach Strand.



From 25th to 29th of July the first SOZO festival took place in Novi Sad, Serbia. SOZO festival is known as an event that brings together nations, denominations and generations, outstanding seminars, workshops, worship and fellowship.

This year six seminars were offered. Seminars were taught by experienced teachers on the following subjects:

Leadership "Character of a Leader; Empowering those around you",
Counseling & Addiction "Communication and Techniques of Cognitive Behavioral Therapy"
Kingdom & Culture
Encouraging Wholehearted Worship
Children's School of Worship
Reality Check, seminar for teenagers.

International worship teams facilitated worship time that can only be described as a preview of heaven. It was heavenly to worship the Lord with the brothers and sisters from various nations on their languages.

Children that were part of the children's school of worship showed us how kids can worship God in a creative way, and how they can become worshipers of the Lord right now, and not wait until they get into their teens years.



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Our first day of concerts took place in Route 66 club. Our Gospel choir that begun to practice two months prior to SOZO finally get a chance to show what we know. And we were so excited with the respond from visitors who sang well know gospel songs and great atmosphere that evening.

Our plan is to continue with the work and to use this choir great tool to spread the gospel. Our next gig we plan for the Charismas.

Our good friend and excellent musician Andy Mayo has opened the first concert evening on the Strand and after him followed the equally fantastic performers.

Choir Vesnik and Slavko Hilert, were a great combination of blues and gospel sound. Outstanding performance brought by this wonderful group of people that comes from Adventist church.

Croatian Band, in Death a Live had a great gig in Route 66, also 4Team from Czech Republic. We had great performance also from Dejan Milinov, Sion band, Noise Toys, Natasa Josimov band, Hermon and Rema all from Serbia.

Lifesong choir has closed last concert evening on Strand. This Choir is already well know to the local audience, and during their performance song of praise has rise from the bank of the great river Danube to the gory of the great God creator of everything

Concerts were very well attended, and local media followed the whole event with the great interest writing that Novi Sad got new Festival

I am thankful to God that we accomplished SOZO this year. We are already planning our next SOZO and we would appreciate your prayers and also INVITE YOU TO PARTNER WITH US so that in the years to come we could have a even better SOZO and greater influence on many nations.



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Nick Vujicic in Novi Sad.

In September I had an opportunity to take part in organizing Nik Vujicic outreach in Novi Sad. The main event took place in big hall of sports center Spens where were gathered more than 5000 visitors.

Nick was talking about his life, how he had ups and downs and how he overcome his weakness and allowed the Lord to change them in to strength



He was a guest in many TV shows and in all his appearing he openly shared that the key for good and fulfilled life lies in applying the principles that are written in the Holy Scripture. He emphasized that more important than this is to have a personal relationship with the creator of this principles Jesus Christ and he encouraged everyone to read the Bible and to believe in His promises.

More than 90 percent of the auditorium were people who do not go to evangelical churches, and some of them hardly go to any church, so most of them have heard for the first time in their life that the Lord has a plan for them, that He love them and that he died for their sins. Nick said that Serbia is going to be blessed when people repent and turn to the Lord. In the end he lead everyone in prayer asking the Lord to forgive us for our individual transgressions and the sins of our country.



This time I had a great joy to serve behind the stage with the guys from Nexus church. From loading of audio equipment to the stage management it was a privilege to serve the Lord in this great event. Alongside Nexus there were also volunteers from many other churches doing great job that evening.



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Last but not the least I would like to share with you the news that our daughter Darija start with first grade of primary school. She loves her new role, new friends, new teachers and the whole atmosphere that is much different from kindergarten and the preschool program. Sanja and I also enjoy in the new activates, what to say we are all in school again..

