

Youngstars Polen (Markus Karzelek - National Coordinator)



Thanksgiving:

- We give thanks for the first Polish Youngstars winter day camp in Zory. The church there invited us to create a children's week for children from the church and the neighborhood. The children had great adventures with Peter, Lucy, Susanne and Edmund and learned a lot about God's grace.
- We were asked to do an introductory training in the spring. That in itself is nothing special. But this time it happens because of a request from a church - and not because we planned it.
- I am very grateful to God for our Sola team. It is truly a blessing to plan and create a summer camp with enthusiastic, committed young people.
- We (meaning Markus and family) have found a home for ourselves. In order to be closer to the churches that want to start Youngstars ministry, we decided to move to southern Poland. God has given us contacts with Christians who will build us a small house.



Prayer request:

- Please pray for our move. As written before, we are moving in the fall. But before that we have to sell our apartment in Wroclaw.
- Please pray for the introductory training from April 14 to 16. We are very happy that we were asked and we would like to give the youth in Skoczow not only practical tools for children ministry, but also to inspire them for youngstars ministry in general.
- Please pray for the summer camp. We want to build on the positive experiences from last year, but also improve on what didn't go well. A special challenge is the inflation (in Poland it is about 18% lately) and therefore creating a budget for 6 months in advance is really difficult.
- Please pray that also conservative churches in Poland will open up for the Youngstars ministry - even if it is something "modern" and unnecessary from their point of view.

Not one of all the Lord's good promises to Israel failed; every one was fulfilled.
Joshua 21: 45

Juropa

Thanks

- We are grateful to have finally found a new board member for finance. Pray that he will be able to settle in well.

Prayer Requests:

- Emanuele, new YoungstarsWiki project leader: good induction and wisdom to do the right thing efficiently.
- Wisdom in planning two Juropa Supporter meetings Sept/Nov - we pray that we will gain new sponsors.
- Design, mailing of the annual report: success and that it meets with open hearts.

Youngstars International (Daniel H.)

Thanks:

- The meeting with ASEI was very good and I am glad we made the trip. They are experiencing some challenges such as Youngstars groups not continuing because no leaders can be found. Please pray for their General Assembly in Isola del Gran Sasso, Abruzzo, 10-12 March, for unity in the decisions to be taken.
- For the Summer Camp in Latvia we are now complete as a team of 4 Swiss with me.

Prayer Requests:

- On 17-19.03 I will be at the BESJ team weekend. Please pray for new contacts with CH YS leaders who are willing to do an outreach abroad.
- Also for the process of finding my successor and that the right person can be found. So far we do not have anyone.
- Youngstars International is looking for a person who could support me in the administration.
- Please continue to pray for new contacts in European countries where there are no Youngstars groups yet.

