



COMPASSIONLINK
Sustainable Solutions for Communities in Need

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Serbia - Addiction and Hopelessness

Heather and I will be in Serbia in mid-February for the first phase of assessments and vision casting with the national church. Christ Evangelical Church (CEC) is the official, registered name of the Assemblies of God in Serbia. There are currently 19 churches associated with the CEC. We believe it will become critical for the health and longevity of the CEC to develop a long-term strategy for the revitalization of churches in declining communities. Conflict between Serbia and Kosovo has been a source of instability since 2008. It's one of the most ethnically and linguistically diverse territories in Europe. According to World Bank, Serbia's declining population is on track to lose another 1.2 million people by 2050. Addiction and hopelessness now reign among the people and churches.

Jason and Andrea Morrison, AGWM missionaries, have recently moved to Serbia from The Czech Republic where they served for 20 years working in the areas of youth ministry, children's ministry, leadership development, evangelism, and church revitalization. They're concerned for the people in Serbia and eager to learn the language to begin building relationships with their neighbors and the national church.

CompassionLink offers sustainable solutions for communities in need by working together with missionaries, churches, and communities. Sustainable solutions are possible when the Lordship of Christ is brought into every part of life and community.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 13 -20: Serbia Assessment and Training

Feb 22-24: Evangel Global Impact Week

March 6-10: Springfield, MO CHE (Community Health Evangelism) Training of Trainers, Level 1) Christ-Centered Community Development.

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CompassionLink.org/events

Opportunities

CompassionLink has several missionary associate openings, including:

- Animal Husbandry Specialist
- Agriculture Specialist
- Pastoral Care/Counseling
- Optical Technician
- Plant Manager/Handyman
- Occupational Therapist
- Health Education Specialist
- Physical Therapist
- Community Development Associate

Go to: <http://s1.ag.org/clmissions> for more information

Prayer Points

Our missionaries Paul and Caryl Weingartner both need a miraculous intervention from The Great Physician. They are wonderful encouragers and blessings to all of us and never complain about pain and uncertainty.

Several staff members are caring for older parents, some with serious health issues. Please pray for wisdom and grace.

We've been contacted by several missionaries who have requested help. Please pray for us as we navigate new cultures.

God's Word is full of His vision for our lives. By helping people understand that and recognize the blessings, resources, and assets He has provided, transformation can begin.

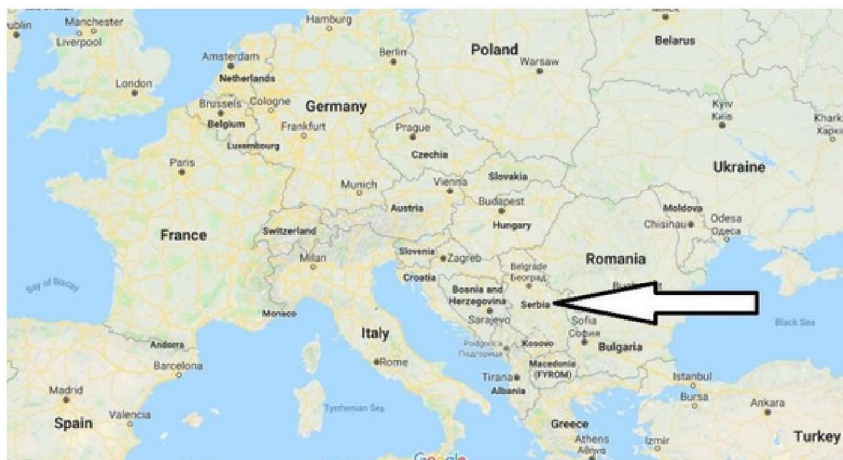
We thank the Lord for you. We pray for you.

Blessings!

Dwight & Heather McConnell

Directors

Official name: Republic of Serbia
Capital: Belgrade (1,659,440 inhabitants)
Languages: 21
Official language: Serbian
Territory: 34,169 square miles (Just smaller than Indiana)
Time zone: Central European (7 hours ahead of US Central)
Climate: Moderate Continental
Population: 7,186,862
Evangelical Christian: 0.6%
Currency: Serbian dinar (US\$1.00 = Sd107.50)



Staff Training in Mumbai, India

I'm so excited about what I will be able to do as the team lead for Health Initiatives. One of the new projects that I will head up is First Aid and Health training for pastors and evangelists in remote areas of countries where there is little to no access to medical care and where there is a great deal of poverty and spiritual darkness. In May, several of our staff and I will go to Mumbai, India, to offer this training to a group of pastors and evangelists. They will return to their hard-to-reach areas with new skills to show the love and compassion of Christ and to share the good news.

Dr. JoAnn Butrin

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