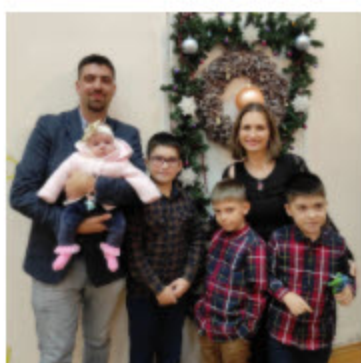


## TBBI Graduate Dr. Trajan Kachina and family, Serving in Serbia



Dear Brothers and fellow workers in the ministry,

We live in a worldwide crises that affects both our life and ministries. In the last several months I was involved in preaching in the village churches in Serbia and in Vrsac, every Sunday was a challenge of how to work in the best way, to encourage people and to be in contact with them.

In the Baptist Churches in Nikolinci and Straza, we've met almost every Sunday in the Church. There were many cases of Covid-19 in the villages, and we decided to go online for 3 Sundays. As much as possible I visited the churches in Mali Zam, Seleus, Alibunar, Novo Selo, according to the restrictions that were imposed. In the periods when we could not meet in the Church, I held the services online. For those who are older and do not use the internet, I called them on the phone and we prayed together, read the Bible and even sang.

One of the most important ministries during period was to help those in need! We have a lot of members in the churches in a very very poor material condition, who were deeply affected by this crisis, because most of those family have their income from physical daily labor, and being on lock down, they could not work anywhere. So, help is was greatly needed, and I tried as much as possible to help, through visits and encourage by providing food and fire wood for them. Some help came from the Baptist Union, for some I organized a charity giving in the other churches and I managed to help regularly over 15 families in Nikolinci and Vrsac in this way.

In this period, the Lord blessed us in the churches very much! From the village churches where I am involved, and from the Youth group that I lead in Vrsac (they are grownups now), the Lord blessed us with two baptism services with a total of 13 new young believers!! First, we had a baptism with 10 persons from the villages, and later one more with 3 from Vrsac.

Unfortunately, we were affected by this virus in the Vrsac church, where a number of members had it. In our family, my mother in-law was in very bad condition, in the hospital, but she is doing well now. Rachel's grandfather passed away, being too weak to resist it. Jovan Avram Dega, was the main involved person in the ministry, for over 65 years, serving among the Romanians in Serbia. Because of him I had my first sermon when I was 15, and haven't stopped since. His wish was for me to preach at his funeral, and I must admit that it was one of the hardest things for me to do in the last years (I also preached when his wife passed away several years ago)

Yet, I have some very good news to share with you also. After 3 boys (Andrew -11, Luka-10 and Alexander - 7.5) the Lord blessed us with a baby girl, and her name is Sara! She was born on 04, 09 and she is a real blessing for our family! Soon after birth, because of a doctor's mistake, Rachel, my wife was in hospital, in a very delicate situation, but the Lord was good, and after 3 weeks she came home and now everything is very good!

Please accept my personal and my family's gratitude for your involvement, support and help, it really means a lot to both for us and for the ministry here in Serbia.

I would like to share 2 prayer requests: 1) Urgent need for the Lord to continue to provide food, clothes, wood, medicine for the needy

2), More personal, for our Lord to provide a larger house, the children are getting bigger and our 3 room house is now to small.

May the Lord richly bless you and your ministry where you are called, and may He keep you safe in His hands, with love and appreciation,

Pastor Trajan Kacina and family

