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Dear Brethren,

I hope that this finds all of you doing well, and prospering in your labors for the Lord's Kingdom where you are. Ivana and I have settled in nicely in Fort Worth, Texas, where we work with the saints at the North Beach church of Christ.

It has been 6 months since we left the Czech Republic, and I am now making plans to return there for a short evangelistic trip, June 15-23, 2009. Since I basically worked with only one group of Christians in the Czech Republic (in Litomyšl), I am limiting myself to visiting with these saints only while there on this trip. The Christians there are making plans for my arrival, and plan to use me fully in public teaching and private Bible studies. I have followed their progress over the last several months, and am pleased to report that they are doing well, and growing in their lives as Christians. I am looking forward to the opportunity to spend time encouraging and teaching them.

I am currently trying to raise the following support to offset my expenses in going to the Czech Republic:

Airfare (roundtrip, Dallas to Prague):	\$1650
Car Rental:	\$350
Accomodations:	\$350
Incidental Expenses:	\$200
Total:	<u>\$2550</u>

The elders here at North Beach have agreed to supply 50% of these travel expenses. Thus, I still need to raise \$1275.

The largest portion of this is, of course, airfare, which is considerably higher than it has been in years past. British Airways had the least expensive ticket, with a connection in London.

Brethren, any financial help that you can provide towards these expenses would be greatly appreciated. Unfortunately, the financial situation of the church in Litomyšl is such that they can provide no assistance towards my expenses.

I would like to add that I have already purchased my plane tickets, and plan to make this trip one way or the other, since I feel that it is important for the brethren there to receive this encouragement.

If I can answer any questions you might have, please do not hesitate to contact me either by phone or e-mail.

Yours in Christ,
Steven D. Baxley