

**KALKMAN**



Nora & Pieter  
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**EUROPE & THE MIDDLE EAST**

**LANGUAGES**

English  
German  
Spanish  
Dutch  
Czech

**MINISTRY PRIORITY**

Short-Term Mission  
Engagement

**BIRTHDAYS**

Nora 5/7  
Pieter 1/1



**LOCATION**

Europe & The Middle East



**ABOUT**

NORA and PIETER have a mission to share the love of Jesus and glorify God through networking with Baptist churches in Europe and the Middle East, developing mission awareness and coordinating the skills and interests of short-term mission volunteers with the needs of the 50-plus Baptist conventions. They are based in the

Czech Republic and serve through International Ministries with the European Baptist Federation. With only 2.5% evangelical Christians, Europe is a priority mission field. Their ministry impact multiplies through volunteers.



Nora and the Croatian Baptist General Secretary in front of remaining standing walls in Sisak.

## “ MINISTRY STORY

The current unpredictable changes in travel and visa restrictions are temporarily limiting the work “overseas” volunteers can do in Europe. We pray that the global efforts to reduce the effects of COVID-19 will soon allow for resuming the exchange of transatlantic volunteers freely and “without hindrance” (Acts 28:31) again.

Meanwhile, we use the occasional liftings of restrictions to work on maintaining our network of contacts by visiting our partners and their projects in person as well as attending European Baptist Federation (partners) meetings. We also intensified our local ministries through various Bible studies, language outreach (directing over a dozen volunteers), personal Bible study (Act 17:11b), and time with God, to be better prepared for what is to come (including our nearing deputation), just as Paul desired Bible scrolls from Troas to keep learning. For

this we look forward to visiting you and your church in late 2022 or early 2023.

In recent months, we were able to visit some of the Balkan countries, including Bosnia, where ethnic tensions are reaching the most concerning levels since the Balkan wars in the 1990s, and Croatia, where we were able to connect with the victims of the recent, severe earthquakes. With God’s provision through you, our support network in the US, we were able to help with alternative temporary housing and with chimneys, for heating one room in a house/ruin, so people can return for repairs and rebuilding (James 2:16).

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for divine contacts in our networking with the European Baptist Federation, and our personal growth in the Lord.

Pray for the Baptists in Bosnia to be a witness and that political tensions will not result in war.

Pray for the Croatian Baptists as they show the love of Christ in earthquake areas.

Pray for the Serbian Baptists as they open a new outreach center east of Belgrade.

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## SCRIPTURE

*“...you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise....When you come [from Troas], bring...my scrolls, especially the parchments [books and letters].”*

2 Timothy 3:15 & 4:13 (NIV)