

# English Family 2 minute Update

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Strong Start, New Web, Ostrava Sings Gospel, Hanka's Back, Money Matters

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## Strong Start

Launching a new life and ministry takes a lot of faith, energy and time. Thankfully, this has been a month full of God's blessings and leading!

Terry spent the second part of October in USA working with the Global Disciplemaking Initiative (GDI) and a "business as missions" organization, and really enjoyed my time with both - sadly, I didn't take many photos! For GDI I was facilitating a 2.5 day vision-casting/organizational development event, helping their founders and other key leaders discern how God is planning to use them in the future, and then beginning to put systems in place to make bring these visions to life. It was a really enjoyable time for me, but also very humbling - I was (ahem) by far the youngest person in the room with some very

experienced leaders and servants (who are very young at heart!) and I was honoured that they trusted me to lead the process for them. Their passion for intentional disciple-making and helping the global church was not only very inspiring for me, but also somewhat convicting!

If you are wanting to bring new life to discipling in your church I would highly recommend contacting them through their web page: <https://www.theglobaldiscipleshipinitiative.org/>

I was also facilitating leadership development workshops for the business as mission company - again, so much fun and also very humbling that people with many many years business experience would spend 2 days actively engaging with the learning process. The feedback I received (in person and written) was overwhelmingly positive, with one person writing to me:

*"I was really struggling with my position and feeling a bit hopeless, and these two days totally 'lit the fire within' rather than behind. :) .....Thank you so much for a wonderful, lasting workshop!"*

another also wrote:

*"My biggest takeaway is that I don't have to lead perfectly; I can lead from where I am. It was also helpful to understand what healthy, well-rounded leadership is as well as the difference between leadership and management and the importance of credibility."*

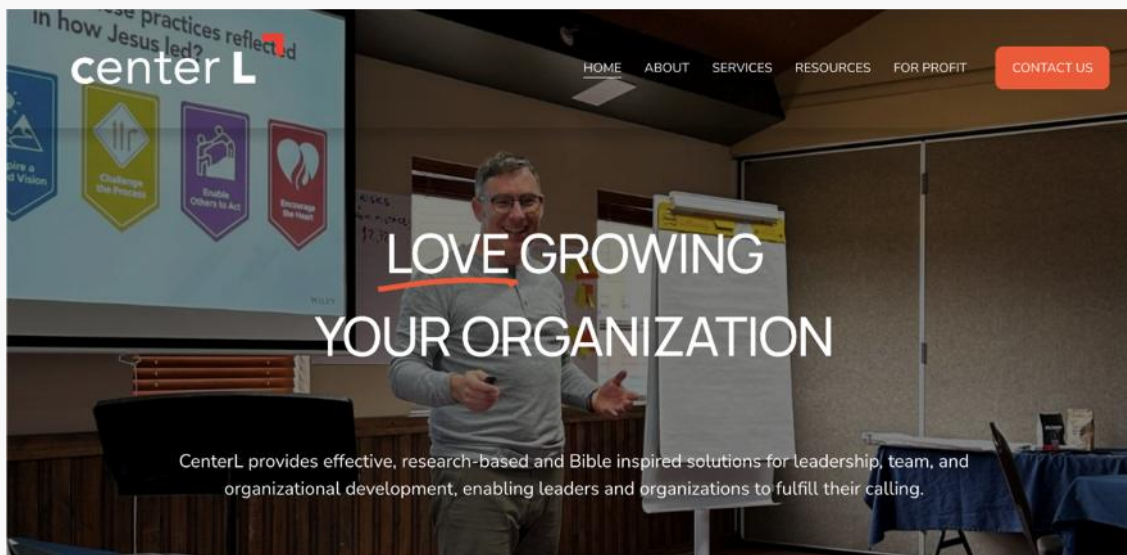
I have also facilitated a leadership workshop for leaders from a local church near Ostrava, a couple of workshops for companies here in Ostrava, and had the chance to share about living with faith in one workshop focussed on people having "their best life". It is a blessing to have the opportunity to help ministry organizations be more fruitful, while also ministering to my own little "mission field" here in Ostrava!

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## New Web Page

One thing I have been learning is how to create web pages! This week we launched the first version of our new ministry-facing web page, [www.centerl.org](http://www.centerl.org) (click on the image). Please take some time to look at the pages and give some feedback! Also, if you know of a ministry that we might be able to help, please pass on the web link to them!

Our "for profit" facing web page is similar, and can be found on [www.enterl.org](http://www.enterl.org)



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## Ostrava Sings Gospel

Two weeks ago we had our first rehearsal and we can already tell it's going to be another special year! Not only is the choir sounding great, but we have already had so many great conversations with members of the choir, and they have heard 3 very powerful "devotions" (Gospel messages based on the words of the songs we are singing).

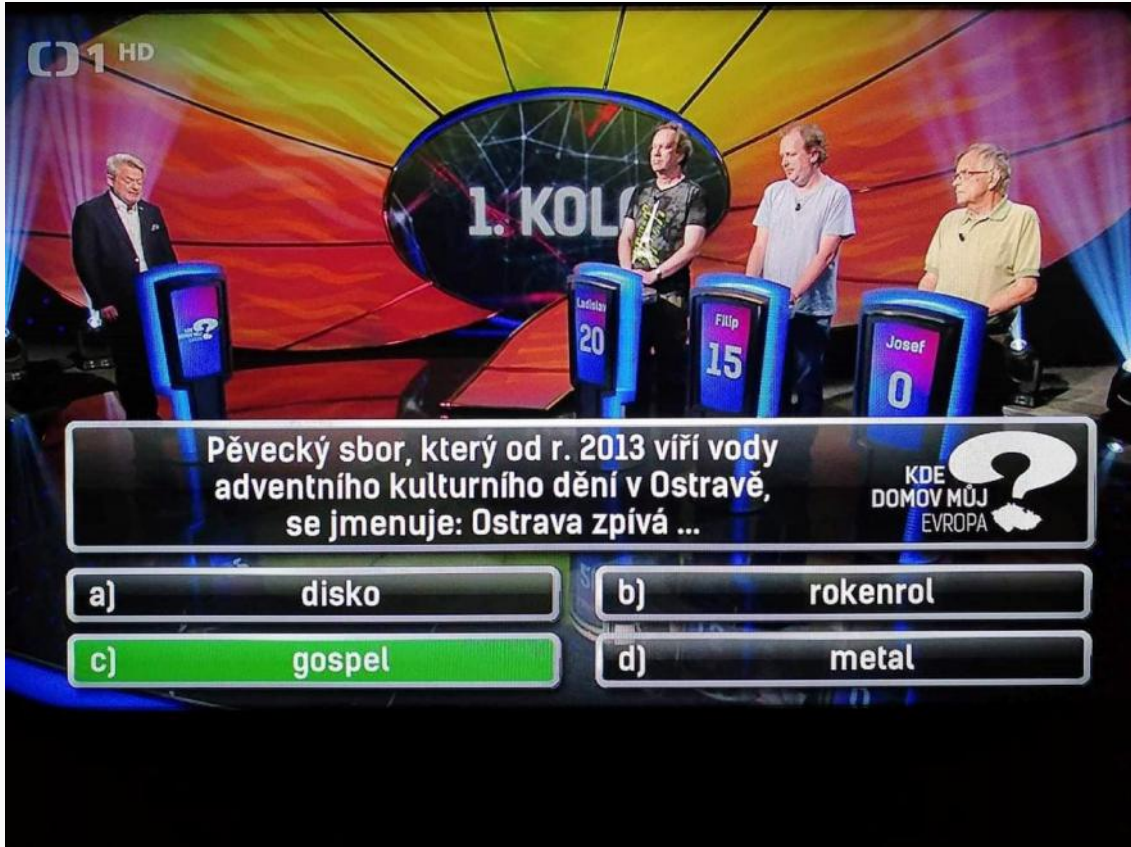
Last week I was also invited to be a guest on a podcast to talk about not only OZG, but other aspects of my life, which of course included the hope that we have in Jesus. [For those Czech speakers, you can watch the podcast here.](#)



Please be praying for the next 2 weeks of rehearsals - that God will be opening up the hearts and minds of the choir members, and of course also for the concerts, and the various invitations we have from TV stations to promote this year's concerts.



To our surprise, we were also featured on a general knowledge gameshow on national TV last week - I guess we really are now considered to be a part of the national Czech culture!



## Please keep praying for Hanka's back!

This is an ongoing problem, with Hanka going from one "expert" to the other to find out what exactly is causing the pain and how to heal it. Please be praying that we are soon able to get a clear diagnosis and healing plan - in the meantime, please be praying for healing, comfort amidst the pain and patience!



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## Money Matters

Next month will be the last month we can receive financial support through Josiah Venture in USA. In 2 weeks time we will send details of how to begin to support us through [Faith and Learning International](#), the new organization who will be walking

alongside us and holding us accountable as we continue the next stage of our ministry calling. For UK based supporters, nothing changes, as we will continue to receive support through the UK office of Josiah Venture.

The support we receive will enable us to continue to work alongside organizations like the Global Disciplemaking Initiative and [J-Life](#), a pan African ministry Terry will be investing in next year, as well as walking alongside other ministries and local churches. Thank you for enabling us to use our gifts to be a part of God's work!

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## Thank You for Empowering Us



Once again, thank you so much for your prayers and support this year. It means so much for our family and this movement of God. Thank you for being a part of it!

God Bless!

*The English Family*

*Terry, Hanka, Miša and Sammy*