

meet the MADARASZS



HUNGARY



their story

Gabi grew up in a Christian home, which was highly unusual in the communist country of Hungary. He accepted Christ when he was 14 and felt the Lord calling him into full-time ministry after graduating from college. Mara knew nothing about Jesus or Christianity growing up. She accepted Christ as her Savior in college when a CRU member came to her dorm room and shared the Gospel with her. Gabi and Mara got married in September 2007, and have a son, Gabo, who was born in 2012 and a daughter, Tamara, who was born in 2014.

Gabi and Mara joined CRU in 2007, focusing on student evangelism and discipleship. Gabi is the National Director of Student Ministries for CRU, overseeing their work with high school and university students. One of his main responsibilities is disciplining and developing the local team leaders and helping to set CRU's ministry goals.

Some of CRU's major strategies are:

- Delivering evangelistic Student Survival Kits to university students at the beginning of each school year
- Speak Out Summer Camp, which teaches Hungarian students English while engaging them around the Christian faith
- Street and door-to-door evangelism

Some of these strategies are the very things that God used to draw Mara to himself, and now she is ministering to others in the same way. In addition to taking care of their two small children, Mara is still active in the ministry, discipling women in her home.

recent prayer requests

Hungary is under a lockdown again as of November. The number of new covid cases went up so suddenly that the government locked down most businesses and schools. Gabi and Mara are back to connecting with students online again. Please pray that they will be able to reach new people online for one-on-one appointments.

The Madaraszes are holding online meetings they're calling The Good Life. It is a nine week series, exploring nine different topics that make for a good life. The series started at the end of October.

The topics are:
The Good Self image, The Good Foundation, The Good Chaos, The Good Earth, The Good Decisions, The Good Goals, The Good Relationships, The Good Limits and The Good Direction.

Pray that:
-many students will continue to attend the remainder of these meetings
-God would draw many of them to Himself
-there will not be any technical difficulties

Pray for Gabi and Mara as they follow-up with the new students. Pray that the students will be open to meeting with them one-on-one and having spiritual conversations with them.

Tami and Gabo are doing their schooling from home now because of the lockdown. Pray for the family's school routine, that the children will adapt well to learning at home. And pray for protection from the virus, for Mara especially since she has a minor heart condition that puts her at increased risk.

Please pray for safety for the Madarasz's children, Gabo and Tamara. The family's backyard is still a construction zone and very hazardous. Pray also for their house construction to get restarted and finished in the near future.