



## Summary of PRAYER WAVES for September 2018 Poland

Andrzej and Monika Kempczyński live in Legionowo, Poland. They returned to Poland nine years ago to plant a church. In the beginning the biggest challenge was the initial move, preparing their flat and beginning the church at the same time. However after nine years, the biggest challenge now is not to be discouraged because of the small size of the church. Over the years many people have come into the church and settled for a short time and then for various reasons moved on.

Legionowo is an average sized town with about 50,000 inhabitants. There was no evangelical presence before the Kempczyński's started planting a church and the only church that most people recognise is the Roman Catholic Church. As well as Roman Catholics, the Jehovah Witnesses are also very visible in the town. As such, Andrzej and Monika have to start a lot of conversations by telling others they are not a Catholic and they are not a JW, they are a Baptist. Most Poles have perhaps never heard the term Baptist before and they don't know what to think.

Recently the church has started a young people's work. It began a couple of years ago with the visit of an Envision team to help them run a summer Holiday Club for those aged 7 to 15. The club went well and there have now been three Envision teams who have gone out to help run the summer Holiday Club. Off the back of this the church has also started a Friday club for teenagers, this happens once a month at the moment, but they are hoping to run it more often.

Over the past year Monika has been struggling with a chronic kidney condition. Her condition has been improving but she has to take steroids and blood pressure medication every day. Because of the condition, Monika gets tired very easily, but she is grateful to God for the sickness because she feels it has opened her eyes to suffering, in order to be able to comfort others.

### **Prayer Points:**

- **Pray for the young people's work and that it would be fruitful and lead to other opportunities.**
- **Pray for encouragement for Andrzej and Monika and the small church.**
- **Pray for more mature Christians to join the church.**
- **Pray for Monika as she copes with her illness and they seek to raise their family in a godly way.**
- **Pray for breakthroughs as the church seek to reach out to those around them.**