Bosnia and Herzegovina, 25 Years after the War
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Dr. Gretchen Eick and Michael Poage both teach English and Literature at Dzemal Bijedic University in Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina, where they have lived half of each year since 2017. Mostar's Muslim community, their home in BiH, suffered 80% of the city's damage in the war that tore apart this part of the former Yugoslavia from 1991-1996 and added another genocide to the Twenty-first Century. Gretchen and Mike are also writers, with 7 and 11 books respectively, counting the two coming out in early 2020. They will share their observations of life in Bosnia and Herzegovina 25 years after war where segregated schools and government departments continue to complicate reconciliation of the Serb (Orthodox), Croat (Roman Catholic), and Bosniak (Muslim) populations. Is Bosnia a failed state, as French President Macron maintains? Will the Serbian population choose to break away? They return to Mostar in February, Michael Poage's 8th trip. They are the owners of Blue Cedar Press, a local independent press, publisher of a book on the BiH war from a child's perspective by Dr. Jasmin Hodzic, Telegrams to Angel Palmers.