O'Brien's Prayers & News

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SPRING 2016! We finish our 17th year on the foreign field and are continually amazed at the majestic grace of Jesus Christ in our lives as we continue serving Him and glorifying Him in war-torn eastern Ukraine. March-April are amongst our busiest times here, as spring rolls out and we begin with the year's biggest holidays of Int'l Women's Day on March 8 and Passover/Resurrection Sunday in April. Much planning and preparation goes into these events as they give us opportunities to share the Gospel with the lost around us. The deaf group continues to grow in spirit and in number. Though they require an immense amount of time and energy to minister to, we count it a privilege to now have likely the 2nd largest IFB deaf group in Ukraine! Other cults & sects continue to spread perverted gospels amongst the deaf and we're pleased to see the spiritu-

al growth amongst our group in the defense of the Gospel of Jesus. Work now starts on the new property next door having cleared the lot and prepare it for grass this summer. Our youth as well as all the neighborhood kids are excited about a safe place to play. The ministry opportunities are enormous and we're so grateful God allowed us to purchase it last year. Please pray for

Steven & Nina as they go Stateside for the birth of their baby and also begin deputation. The attrition rate is high amongst missionaries, a 2nd-gen MK has proven himself!



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brought in a full house of ladies for a Bible devotion (by Maya Kruchinina of LBC in Zhitomir, Ukraine) and special music, & plays (by ladies from LBC Odessa, Ukraine).

3. Thankful! I want to thank the Lord and our supporters for allowing me the great joy, joy, joy and privilege of <u>teaching youth in Sunday School</u> for these past 17 years.

- 4. <u>Training to serve the Lord.</u> The men, women and children who have received Christ as Lord and Savior, after a year of discipleship, are being trained to serve their Lord in the church and how to work together as they do. 1-Jn. 3:18, 1-Pet. 3:8; 4:10.
- 5. <u>Passover Seder and Resurrection Sunday</u>. Our biggest holidays in the church. We had a new lost deaf lady attend our Seder service (yeah!) and a full house for sunrise service & breakfast fellowship on Resurrection Day (on the Jewish calendar).
- 6. <u>Prayer needs.</u> I will be flying to NC to be with Nina when she gives birth! I will be Stateside for four weeks. Please pray for a safe delivery for Nina and baby, and for a successful mini deputation for Steven and Nina while in the States on a 6 mo. Visa. Special prayer need for Alyona (on left) who is 11 years old and will be translating for the deaf in my place. Pray for her father Artem (saved last year) who is ill and will be having surgery most likely.
- 7. Praise! Jonathan and Brittaini Katrina are close to 50% support on deputation.



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Your servants in Christ: John, Cathy, Brittaini, Noelle, John-Steven & Kendon