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O'Brien's Prayers & News

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GREETINGS from Kharkov! Another year rolls to a close and WOW what a finish the Lord brought to us here in wintery Ukraine! After celebrating Faith's 9th Anniversary in October, we began preparing for another long snow season with super short days. When it's dark by 3pm, then you know that the temperatures are close to zero and it's BRRrr frigid on street evangelism!! **PRAISES:** I was privileged to be involved in a new church plant in west/central Ukraine. Unlike any other time in all our years here, we saw the Holy Spirit move so strongly upon lost souls, bringing people of all ages (10-75!) under deep conviction & repentance from sin. We started by teaching Personal Evangelism and "how" to clearly present the saving Gospel of the Lord Jesus, then daily went out on the snowy streets & *practiced* what was taught: the Lord blessed tremendously & the new mission sprouted into a healthy newly-constituted church! The wisdom & leadership of Pastor Vlad there has been such an encouragement to us, glorifying God in raising up holy young Ukrainian men to take full leadership in these new Bible-believing *Baptist* churches. *Thanksgiving: a blessed time with many of the missionaries who work outside of Odessa close to the Romanian border. Privileged to preach at Lemanski Baptist Church & challenge the saints. **PRAYERS:** Church Building; Souls; Discipleship; Direction for new ministries; Safety;

Health (Especially Cathy's back). Container: Baptist Couriers for Christ sent us a container, please pray for the customs in Odessa to clear it and allow it to come here to Kharkov. Thanks. Pray for God's provision as our support is dwindling again. SUPPORT: CMC Box 219228, Houston, Texas 77218 "For OBRIENS". Thank you for your prayers & giving for Christ's glory. WEB: www.missions2ukraine.com for





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November-Zhitomir, Ukraine - John traveled to help national pastor, Vlad Kruchinin who was beginning a new mission work. John taught an Evangelism Conference and then took Pastor Vlad out to bring the gospel to Zhitomir. Quite a number of people received Jesus as their personal Savior & then most all followed in Believer's Baptism in the new church!





While John was in Zhitomir, Kendon stood in the pulpit here in Kharkov, John Steven led the music. God blessed all the services. It is an honor to watch God raise up our young to serve Him. Then we spent Thanksgiving with Missionary Richard & Oksana Maher, as well as with five other missionary families who gathered from across southern Ukraine for the holiday down in the Odessa area. John & I were given the privilege of speaking at Lemonski Baptist Church at a special men's & a special





ladies meeting in the missionary-built church in Lemonski, about 20 hours from Kharkov near Moldova. Brittaini & Noelle celebrated Thanksgiving with our home church & the Kershaw family in Charlotte, NC. Special thank to the Kershaws. A BLESSED time! Then back to Fairhaven to prepare for finals.

December — We aided an 80+ year old lady who had been beat & left in the streets. She cried as she told how she had been on the street for hours and no one else would help. What a needy place this is!

Sunday School event - Christmas Caroling! (Jan. 6th here in Ukraine), we taught hymns of our Savior's birth & made cookie ornaments (what a project!) to give to those we carol to.

Brittaini & Noelle were able to fly home during Christmas break! The Lord made this possible thru Pastors Steve Griffith, Keith Troyer & other friends. What a blessing to have planists back in church and now along with piano we have Brittaini on flute as well! What super workers the girls are out on evangelism and in all aspects of the work of the ministry, we sorely missed them.



Sunday School - Zhenya and Sergei continue to come faithfully. Kendon & John Steven brought two new visitors, Vlada and Lera, though they faced great opposition from the lost here. Pray with us as we try to grow this church in Kharkov. Thank you so much! Cathy!

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

