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O'Brien's Prayers & News

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2021 is finally DONE! The most difficult year in 22+ years in Ukraine but the most fruitful, also. Cathy's heart is slowly recovering from her Covid, grateful to folks who pray over us here in Ukraine. **October**: We celebrated the church's 22nd Jubilee!! Amazing to think how God started this work way back then, His faithfulness is truly great! We also saw one of our deaf men, Sasha, get saved too. He'd been watching Cathy's sign translation of our online services and God's worked in his heart. November: Right after her birthday and recovering from Covid, Cathy suffered a neurological incident which was identical to a stroke, where she lost motor function/memory for nearly 36hrs. What a trialsome time. Ambulance took her to a private clinic downtown where she remained under care/ observation for 5 days before release. After CAT scans & MRI's, we've been told it was a nerve malfunction stopping blood flow to her frontal lobe, hence the stroke-like symptoms. Afterwards it's effects included her inability to comprehend Russian and extreme memory difficulties. She's still recovering & she's back to sign translating for our deaf group and remains under a neurologist's care. We enjoyed having Steven & Nina as well as Jonathan & Brittaini for Thanksgiving too. #Traditions **December**: Snow came early and heavy, as well as the continued build-up of Russian troops all along our border. Kharkov is located in the far east, on the Russian border, putting 40k troops less than 50 miles from us. Though we pray for peace, we prepare for an all-out invasion. What happens? We could potentially catastrophically lose 100%, including church building & property. We covet your prayers for discernment. All thru history, God has allowed calamity to affect His children. He has also sovereignly chosen at times to supernaturally protect His children. Though it would be an unspeakable loss, we are far more concerned about souls perishing apart from Christ. Please pray!!

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New Church title/deed documents! A necessary but painful \$5,000 expenditure. **Deaf Sasha was saved! Friend of one of our deaf men, he's been watching our online services and decided to attend. A few weeks later he gets saved!. *Thankful to Brittaini for signing while Cathy recovers from her incident.