

Numerous delays have prevented us from getting this out earlier, but the Lord has been very busy in the ministry here in frigid Kharkov. We're now all moved in to the church property & everyone is so grateful to Jesus for His provision. Albeit temporary until after our return next year to construct an actual building, our little church room is an unspeakable blessing to all the saints here. The spirit of all our services has really changed and much more Christ-honoring, where prayers are no longer hindered from the BOOM-BOOM of the disco strip club that adjoined our wall in our former building. Hallelujah! The change of location combined with record low temps and record snowfall has caused our attendance to fall, but the faithful remnant remains and already had many new visitors. **How cold is church?** Notice the frozen water bottle! —>



As is our practice ever winter, we're busy with in-home chron bible lessons, establishing new contacts, building relationships & teaching the Bible preparing souls for the Gospel. **PRAISES:** "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain..." Christ is worthy of all we have to give. ♦ **Evangelism:** Without a certain new governmental document, we're unable to print our tracts with our new address on them. But nevertheless everyone has been diligent reaching out to people around them. We've been promised this document by April & pray that the elections in March will not further hinder it. We've made quite a few good contacts though, trusting His work. ♦ **Ministry:** A new **Sunday School** class has been started for new believers, which we've asked Natasha to teach. The blessing is to see Miss Luda - as a servant of the church - teaching believers like Natasha to teach others after them! I continue to meet 2x weekly with bro Sasha for indepth theology & **doctrinal studies**, training him for future ministries here. **Prisons:** we've been receiving for quite some time requests for bibles, literature, studies & we've even been invited to preach in some prisons & correctional labour camps! So we've begun this new outreach & now have 5 different prisons with which we have contact. Sadly, they are all 3-4 hours away & our microbus cannot make the trips in the winter. What a great opportunity this can be. ♦ **Compassion:** We've been able to put in a front door for one member and replaced a kitchen window for another this winter. Each time, the Lord used it to give good witness of Jesus to their lost family & neighbors. Truly Christ is Supremely worthy. **PRAYER REQUESTS:** "Ye have not because ye ask not" - Jesus. "Call unto me and I will answer ..."

♦ **Furlough:** We are making diligent preparations to depart Ukraine in June to begin our furlough. We beg the Lord Jesus to raise up housing & transportation for our family. Would you know of a mission home where we could stay for a month or 2? ♦ **Support:** Your faithful support over these past 8 years is a testimony, for we hear often from others how churches drop them, but praise Jesus you've been so faithful to HIM. A secondary *need* while on furlough is **additional support**. Can you assist us in getting a meeting in your area helping us present this ministry to others as we all seek His glory here in Kharkov? **Support must be made out to PEOPLES BAPTIST CHURCH and mailed to the address below. Thank you so kindly.**

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Cathy's Corner

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Isa 1:18 "Come now, and let us reason together ... though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow". Snowball fights for the Sunday School kids, major car problems, & keeping the church warm were the memories of this winter. Brittaini, our game director for Sunday School was thrilled for the constant supply of knee-deep snow. If you don't want to get hit by a snowball you'd better stay inside the church these days :o). This year's temperatures broke records as we stayed at -30 for over two weeks. It was so cold that it froze our engine, oil, belts, door knobs and everything. We were without a car for three weeks & don't wish to do that again soon but the Lord watched over us. Thank you to Faith Baptist in Columbus, Georgia for sending funds to help pay for some of the work done to get the engine running again! God was also watching over the church. With temperatures that low there is just no way to keep the church building warm. We have a gas heater and two electrical heaters there and had paid for a certified electrician to wire the building to suffice for the electrical needs of these two heaters. But... the Lord directed us to the church one day to check on things only to find out we had suffered an electrical fire! God had contained it and the building did not burn down. God is so faithful! We hired a different electrician to come out to redo all the wiring as we are taking no chances of this happening again. *We took 3 ladies from our church for eye exams. If you can not SEE the Word, you can't READ the Word. They greatly appreciated it. One had been praying for help in that area secretly for a while. The Lord answered! In preparation for our furlough time away we started home fellowships to help the flock bond with one another. It is a hit! *Natasha stepped up to teach the Sunday School class for new believers. She is doing an outstanding job. She will continue to teach this class while we are gone. *We still have not secured a furlough home or vehicle. Please pray for that. *We have been gearing up for an evangelism marathon in Sunday School which will last six weeks, March - April. We are praying for GOD to expand this garden of souls as spring comes into bloom and the harsh winter retires. Thank you for your faithful prayers & support for Kharkov, Cathy!

