Jan-Feb

O'Brien's Prayers & News

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2018 has started with record snowfall and record sickness! Both John and also Steven have been hit extra hard, as have many in our church. We're ever reminded of God's faithful mercies in this times! January started with our annual New Year's watchnight service, with much preaching, prayer and playing games till we set off small fireworks. Since then we watched as our church raised up 80% of the surgery costs for one of our deaf ladies. It was amazing to see them give out of their poverty & the operations were successful (Cathy with deaf Marina below). February was our **30th** wedding anniversary and annual Sweetheart Banquet. Even with record snowfall, we continue leading by example in getting tracts & Gospel literature out to our needy city of 2 million. We purchased a QR code to put on all of our literature. Once scanned, it opens Google Maps and shows the location of the church. We hope this will help folks find where they can hear about the love of Christ and salvation from eternal damnation. **FURLOUGH**: In October we're planning on coming to Virginia to raise up much needed support. Please contact us if you can help us find missions-minded churches. Amen.



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"Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another". John and I are **very grateful** for the faithful prayers and support of our churches and friends. We believe it is your prayers which keeps the Russian army out of our city, Kharkov, and allows us to continue to freely teach and preach the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

In 2018 we desire to bring fruit to your account through the salvations of souls whom the Lord has allowed us to introduce to the Bible and have taken them through chronologic Bible lessons in 2017. Our focus has been to introduce them to God and who He is by listening to what He says and then watching what He does throughout history to allow God to convince them of His existence and authority over their souls and destiny. Many are reaching a point of decision. As you pray for us would you please **pray with us this year for these salvations**: Vasilli (older man), Ivan (young deaf father), Margarita (teenager), Nastia and Kiril (brother and sister).

I thank the Lord for answering my prayers back in 1986 and allowed me to become the wife of John P. O'Brien on 2/12/88. The only thing we had in common back then was our love for Jesus Christ and each other. Now 30 years later everything about us has changed, except our love for Jesus and for each other, to which God added 4 children, 2 children-in-law, 3 grand daughters. By His grace we became a missionary family (1999) in Ukraine.

Your missionaries in Ukraine - John and Cathy

Cathy