## O'Brien's Prayers & News

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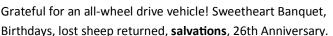
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Provocateurs, birthdays, killings, anniversaries, riots, salvations, civil war, holidays!! What a 1st quarter 2014! Russia invaded southern Ukraine and captured Crimea which means no more deaf & youth conferences down there. January saw John ripen to 47, John & Cathy celebrated their 26th wedding anniversary and John-Steven pegged 23 in March. At the same time, in the middle of frigid winter Ukraine melted down into civil war with nearly 500,000 civilians gathered in Kiev in opposition to the government's corruption & pro-Moscow course. Govt troops bolstered by Russian military agents killed over 100 civilians in violent clashes as Ukraine tumbled into the darkness of war. Bloody clashes in our eastern regions & in our city by Russian agents against innocent Ukrainian civilians have left many dead and hundreds wounded and innumerable abducted & missing. As Russia's military force of 40+k and 2k tanks came up to our border just 25 miles from our main church plant, we've forced to evacuate to western Ukraine and other safe havens. "But God ... (Eph 2:4)"! Our **deaf group** is enjoying God's blessings with new, 1st-time visitors 34 of 37 weeks!! Deaf Natasha was saved in February! We now have so many deaf taking Bible lessons that our work on the building has slowed to a crawl in order to accommodate their desire to learn of Jesus! We now give 2-3 Bible lessons daily and have 4 classes on Sundays now. Even one of our wayward deaf who was saved back in '03 and left in '06 returned & repented! Though burdened about the stagnation amongst the hearing, we are rejoicing to see all that God's Spirit is doing amongst the deaf in Kharkov. \*We had 8 couples for our **Sweetheart Banquet** and had almost 20 ladies for our Int'l Women's Day tea gathering in March. \*Brittaini & Jonathan are now **EXPECT-ING!!** That means that we'll be grandparents in October. \*Please keep praying for the Faulkner Family as they need 10 more supporting churches and then they can come over and help us in this great work! Charlotte, N.C Box 219228 Houston, Texas 77218













God's blessings and all the prayers that you our friends & supporters continue to give are so appreciated!





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