

O'Brien's in Ukraine

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"Striving together for the faith of the Gospel." ~ Php 1:27

GREETINGS from chilly Ukraine! With one of the coldest most deadly winters behind us, we're grateful to see the snow finally melting away and expect soon to see some buds & signs of Spring! We hope these updates find our churches & friends abiding in the Resurrected Jesus as we know that His return is truly imminent. Join us as we briefly review these 2 extremely busy months! ☺

PRAISES: In March, Heartland graduate Jonathan Skeen proposed to Brittaini & they are now engaged to be married in June! What a blessing to see how the Lord answers so many years of faithful prayer & preparation! As the temperatures lifted above freezing, we began in earnest working on the church building again. Supporting pastor Keith Troyer & Peter Uhl (Nehemiah Cornerstone Ministries) returned & were joined by Allen Huffman from the Faulkner's home church. In a few short weeks with many long days, we were able to do the stairs, frame some walls, enclose the roof overhang, install the rain gutters & much more invaluable necessary work! It was such a blessing to see the church ladies rally together to provide *daily* hot meals for all the guys, sacrificing so much of their time (everything here is made by hand, done from scratch) & showing their love & appreciation for the work on their church. **8th of March is Int'l Women's Day & some of our ladies joined Cathy for a special luncheon & Bible devotion. **Resurrection Sunday: we had special services for the Lord's Resurrection, even though the church was 40 degrees. Need heating.

PRAYERS: **Building: Government approval for gas. **Helping hands** to work on the building: sheetrock/carpentry/vinyl siding/plumbing. We are praying to have our official Dedication Service in June and are *honored* to have our Pastor & wife headed over for the very special occasion!

****Mission Trips:** If you would like to come over on a short-term MISSIONS TRIP (2 weeks to 3 months), you need a Passport and a plane ticket (about \$1,500). Instead of Teen Camp, send your Youth to impact eternity on the mission field, where souls can be reached. ****Visas:** the new Visa laws are difficult & application/requirements are conflicting & difficult. ***CO-LABORERS*** - please remember the Brian & Juanita Faulkner Family as they raise support to come HERE to Kharkov to work WITH us. The tough economic times has greatly affected churches in America, making it harder on everyone, especially those trying to raise support to go serve the Lord overseas with their lives. We hope to see them January 2013! **SKYPE: hosea66**



See updates & new pictures!
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Cathy's Corner

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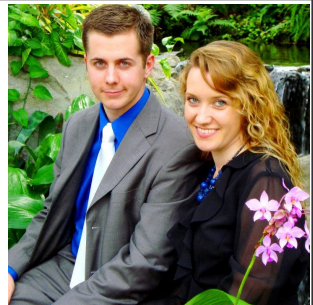


At the start of winter God guided John to change our services during the cold months to have our services separated by a lunch pot luck fellowship here in the church to keep folks out of the cold & minimize the public transportation problems which the frozen weather creates in getting our saints to and from church. The results were immediate and lasting. This has greatly increased church attendance & strengthened the fellowship of the saints! ☺



ANSWERED PRAYER: (center picture) I am holding the very 1st authorization given to a missionary in Kharkov to continue working in this city for the next year! (A new Visa law has taken many established missionaries across Ukraine off the field who didn't receive this authorization.)

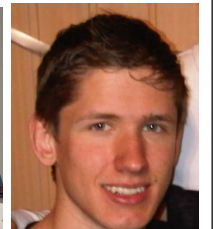
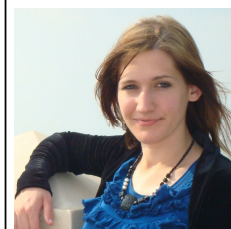
Pray for us - busy summer ahead :). **ENGAGEMENT #2!** Our daughter Brittaini to Mr. Jonathan Skeen. To wed, Lord willing, in Ukraine in June following her **GRADUATION** Brittaini is set to graduate with honors in May from Heartland B.B.C.



Noelle— is doing well and is back in school at Heartland. Her job gladly received her back and she has even been given a promotion! Big thank you for your prayers.

John-Steven celebrated his 21st birthday in March and is working in NC preparing for his upcoming wedding. He has been blessed to be with our home church during this time.

Kendon celebrated his 19th birthday in April. He is enjoying his Freshman year attending the State University in Kharkov & is very active in witnessing to the lost there & in our neighborhood.



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

Faith Bible Baptist Building Project March-April 2012

