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O'Brien's Prayers & News

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"as many as were willing hearted" - Ex. 35:22

Our 25th year in Ukraine has ended! Grateful to see God's faithfulness and finishing strong in 2024. Unseasonably warm late Fall allowed us to continue outdoor evangelism. Cathy returned from America, the Lord blessed her trip with Mrs Brackeen back to her home in Georgia. The church in Kharkov celebrated it's **25th Jubilee!** So few left in the city, but all but 1 member was in attendance. Sweet testimonies given of God's grace and protection. Cathy & I traveled 25 hours across Ukraine to Uzhgorod to celebrate **Thanksgiving** with Brittaini and family. December was **MEDICAL** month! Cathy came down with pneumonia & was hospitalized, witnessing to everyone & praying with many. John's health continues to decline but **FINALLY** we have health insurance & John is heading to Charlotte in January for neurosurgery. His endoscopy, EKG & stress test as well as ultrasound on gall bladder: everything is great! So along with the very displaced cervical disks, there's other issues requiring medical attention while Stateside. Hallelujah God spared America and Harris failed but Russia's war of terror continues here. Over **6,000 missiles/rockets** were launched at Ukraine in this 4th Quarter with many civilian casualties. We've continued our humanitarian outreach, delivering needed medicines & Gospel literature to those in remote villages. Tragically, many of the liberated villages we supported in late '22 are now re-occupied by Russia and more war crimes are being committed in front of our very eyes. Due to mass evacuations, we're again without any drivers, so we are sending Rita thru Driving School hoping by February/March she'll be licensed. Bible lessons with refugees and work amongst the deaf continue. Please pray for the church in our absence. Not having Sergei here will be difficult as he continues raising support to return. Please pray about our travel expenses & **medical expenses**. Grateful to serve another year in Kharkov!

Cathy's Corner

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Humanitarian aid children's shelter; neighbor wounded by Russian missile; shut-ins ministered to; deaf supported; Hospital roommates given the Gospel; ladies fellowship. Snapshots of this Fall 2024. Thank you!!

Your missionaries in Ukraine - John and Cathy O'Brien