

# O'Brien's Prayers & News

"I will perform the oath which I swear" - Gal 2:6:3

Shalom from chilly Kharkov, Ukraine! God gave His oath to build His church - and He is building it here! We arrived back on October 2nd and have been busy settling in, preparing for winter. We have neither yet received registration nor new visas, but God is working mightily nonetheless here. A special thanks to all who laboured to serve while we were back in Arizona: great will be your reward. We got the rest we needed and saw 7 adults come to salvation our last week.

**PRAISES:** "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain..." Amen, Christ is worthy of all we do.

- ◆ **Salvation:** Three of our folks just got saved: Yura, Larissa & Karina. What a blessing - Hallelujah, what a Saviour! Yura came 2 years ago but dropped out under conviction of sin. God kept him in our path and he returned to services where he repented and was saved. Pray for his discipleship & growth. Our work needs committed young men.
- ◆ **Deaf Church:** If we could receive some hearing aids, that would honor the Lord in meeting a desperate need. The offer to conduct Bible Lessons at the Deaf Club is still open & we'd like to start working there immediately after registration. Help us to be a blessing to the deaf folks. Pray as to what the Lord would have you do in this need.
- ◆ **Attendance:** The church folks started well, but eventually "they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd (Mt 9:36)." John is a busy shepherd "seeking out his flock in the day that he is among his sheep that are scattered (Ez 34:12)." Pray for a spirit of forgiveness, restoration, revival & growth. Our hearts are broken but Christ *is* faithful!
- ◆ **Helper:** The Lord has provided an interim *helper* for Cathy. Miss Becky Avery of New Testament BC in Maine has come to be with us till March. She'll be teaching & working with the church youth. Pray for her to be a blessing.



**PRAYER REQUESTS:** "Ye have not because ye ask not" - Jesus

- ◆ **Registration & VISAS** - We sing "but they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength" & now we must practice it! 4 of 6 needed signatures have been given & we're hopeful for an expedient closure to this long process.
- ◆ **Co-laborers:** We ask for your continued prayers regarding co-labourers. Folks should prayerfully consider their part in world missions. Maybe the Lord would have you spend 6months or a year as an intern, seeking His will?

**NOTES:** All support must be made out to **SUN & SHIELD BAPTIST MISSIONS** & mailed to the address below.

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Thank you to all who have been praying with us for the salvation of our deaf translator, Larissa and her daughter Karina. She has been receiving chronological Bible lessons for ten months now but has resisted the conviction of the Holy Spirit. Luda was stumped as to why so when we returned we invited them over for dinner & to get an update from Larissa about some of the events that our deaf people have been part of while we were gone. This led to a quiet time of relaxed talking & provided the atmosphere to approach her about her lack of salvation. After discussing it with her for a while we were able to conclude that she had a confused idea about what was involved with "repentance". The Baptist Union here preaches it as a necessary work of the flesh, the public confessing of sins before man and God, to obtain the mercy of God for salvation. Larissa said she just couldn't bring herself to shame herself publicly with speaking of all her sins. Praise the Lord that He revealed her need. John



took Larissa through the message of the scriptures again showing her that no public

display & confession to man was part of God's true plan of salvation. Then she said it sounded too easy. More scriptures read. She desired to be saved but still hesitated. John asked her to read Isa. 53 & Rom. 4 when she got home & IF she were to receive Christ as her personal Savior than to please call us when the time came. She went home with her daughter & then about ten minutes later the phone rang: "WE (Mom & daughter) read, WE prayed, WE repented before God, WE asked Jesus to save us from our sins, We accepted Jesus as our Savior!" THANK YOU for praying with us!



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