O'Brien's Prayers & News

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GREETINGS from *rainy* eastern Ukraine! Back from the States with fresh Visa & refreshed spirit! Fall is upon us and as the weather is turning cold and the leaves are changing, we think of all the changes around us here: the building project, new souls being saved, increased trials in homes, hardships for friends & churches back in America. We are so thankful for the Lord who promised: "I am the LORD, I change not." What a great God we're privileged to serve in Ukraine. Here are some highlights.



**The physical building has totally overwhelmed all of us and it was time for some spiritual building! God allowed us to add 3 new members being baptized into Faith-Kharkov! Our deaf group continues to

swell with visitors each week. We are thankful for having Brittaini & Noelle home this Semester with us. What a huge blessing they are being while here: Brittaini is leading the youngest SS class while Noelle is translating fulltime with the Deaf Group ministries. BUILDING: The immense rains & subsequent flooding greatly hindered the building project. We were grateful to off-load by hand 2,000 block (3 full semi-trucks) and 7 tons of cement (60 50kg bags)! My body daily reminded me that I'm not 20 any longer - not by a long shot! But we did get up the main floor walls, formed & poured the bond beam. We hope to have decent November weather and can lay the precast ceiling/flooring and finish it off before the long harsh Russian winter blankets us totally. **Jubilee: Faith-Kharkov celebrated it's 11th Jubilee! WOW! Incredible to remember back over all those years baptizing Lina in that cold frigid lake late October 1999. Privileged to have veteran missionaries Mark & Lydia Priem come up from Odessa for the special services. Had the weather been any warmer, we would have done it in the new building, even as unfinished as it is (no heat, water, electric, interior, roof, etc). **Evangelism: we've started a literature distribution outreach down at the train station here in Kharkov. It's the largest rail center in eastern Europe and trains from all over the CIS connect through it, plus multitudes of the 5 million unreached souls in Kharkov Oblast (county) travel in/out of the city via hourly

commuter trains, giving us the ability to spread God's word into the tiniest of villages which we could never otherwise reach with the Gospel. Each week we're handing out 500 booklets w/ tracts & Gospel info.

PRAYERS: Church Building: Still needing help in off-setting additional costs to the building in Kharkov. Whole interior needs done: can you drywall? Can you help? Pray for *more* Souls; Discipleship; Safety;

Health (Especially Cathy's back: she's awaiting to return Stateside for back surgery). *Co-laborers: Brian & Juanita Faulkner continue Deputation raising funds to come serve as missionaries with us in Kharkov. Pray for support. Our SKYPE: "hosea66" call us! FACEBOOK - Come see updates & many new pictures & videos!



Cathy's Corner

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New evangelism outreach at the Kharkov Train Station! Weekly passing out of tracts & Christ honoring materials. We're seed sowing!

Missionary Mark and

special guests for our

Lydia shared her pre-

Mark preached. What

11th church jubilee.

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a huge blessing!

Lydia Priem are the

Our 11th Church Anniversary in Kharkov, Ukraine!

The Lord has been faithful to build His church and we are so very honored to serve Him here.



Thank you for your love, your prayers & for your support. We could not serve the Lord Jesus here without all three of those. We are grateful to the Lord for you!

Noelle celebrates her 21st birthday and I celebrate my 45th! Noelle's health has improved. Thank you for praying. Both girls will attend college this spring again.



Our children church group grows by one 'member' as Marina follows in believers baptism! Since her mother is deaf she has been a big help with our deaf ministry as well!



Praise: Our precious deaf group is bringing in visitors weekly. Pray for my healing as the girls return to school soon I will be resuming translating.



Recurring rain storms flood the new church with mud and water over and over. Many days were devoted to sweeping it dry. Yet we continue on!



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

Building Progress

September-October













