

O'Brien's Prayers & News

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"Turn thou us unto thee, O LORD, and we shall be turned." - Lam 5:21

Summer is gone! The typically dry but chilly Fall weather of eastern Ukraine has been drenched with more wet weather. Although the black soil of Ukraine makes impossible-to-clean mud, it hasn't dampened the fire of our spirits in taking the Gospel to our 2 million lost neighbors. The innumerable mounds of smoldering wet leaves all about are a stenching, suffocating reminder of the spiritual condition of this vast land. The once colorful leaves have faded & dropped, blown about by wet winds, collected & now burning.

PRAISES: John traveled to Poland for his annual Visa renewal, applying for and receiving his Religious Visa.

THANK YOU to those who graciously gave towards that need. ****PRAY**** Ukraine changed the Visa law in October & next year will be harder. Sadly 4 missionary families across Ukraine have already had to leave.

***12th Jubilee** of Faith Baptist - Kharkov! Vlad from Zhitomir preached for us. Wonderful testimonies of God's grace over these many years & the hope for greater things in the future! We celebrated Faith's Jubilee in the unfinished deaf sanctuary/fellowship, and although it was a chilly 40 inside, everyone had a great time of preaching & praising, fellowshiping & food! In November, we'll be in Zhitomir to celebrate 3rd Jubilee!

PRAYERS: Our weekly Street Evangelism at the train station continues, as does the harassment & opposition. We distribute 500 Gospel booklets each outing. Kharkov is a major rail center for people traveling all over the former Soviet Union. Seeds planted! ****Our eldest member Alla, who's been with us since the summer of 2000, went in for emergency eye surgery. Please pray with us as we'd really like to send her down to Odessa to a more modern eye clinic, just as we did with Zhenya a few years ago. She's a precious widow in deed and extremely devoted to Christ, walking each Sunday 45 minutes to church regardless of weather. We're thankful to have been sent here for Jesus.**

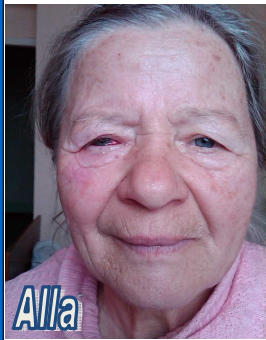


Poland!

****Building:** As winter fast approaches, we are in need of countless documents for **gas/electricity/heating.**

The bureaucracy feels stacked against us as the resistance to a non-Orthodox church seems to grow. So much has changed over the past 5 years, with costs soaring exponentially. The shadow of Christ's return looms as Russia rebuilds & difficulties abound. ***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 in 2012!

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Alla

Cathy's Corner

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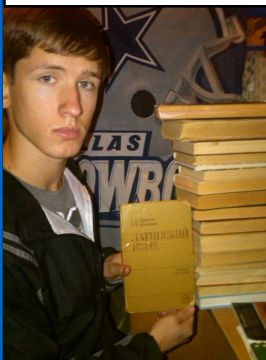


Prodigal child - Luke 15:17-20 Alexandra (left center) was 13 when she received Christ during our 2004 Baseball Conference. She was an active disciple for years. Then she moved to Moscow, found a young man, a home, a job but no church. Now with-child her deep and almost forgotten faith in God collided with that world. Alexandra refused to abort her child and lost all she had for her belief in the truth she learned as a teen that GOD is the creator of all life and that abortion is murder! Now repentant she left Moscow alone returning here to rebuild her faith.

After years of teaching Ukrainian kids how to play baseball, now John Steven himself is playing baseball at Heartland College and loving it.



Thank you to all our supporters. Your prayers are giving us strength to shine the gospel in Ukraine and build a house to His name. We are thankful to be apart of God's work in Ukraine as both hearing & deaf continue to come each Sunday to learn the Holy Bible.



Continuing to College
Kendon continues his Russian language education by enrolling in Kharkov's University.
Brittanni & John Steven both attend Heartland Baptist Bible College. Brittanni (senior year) Elementary Ed. & John Steven a Bible major.



Redeeming the Time
Oct. 30th, I turned 46. Sept. 8th, Noelle - 22, celebrated her birthday after the Lord recently spared her life in July. BIG praise! Together we are thanking the Lord for length of life and time still given to glorify Him on Earth.



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

Kharkov Building Sept-Oct '11



1) Finishing front wall insulation & facing bricks.

2) Front wall FINISHED! Notice the cross in the archway over the door!

3) Electricity: received temporary power line for.

4) 2nd floor wired!

5) Cathy & Noelle helped John build the new furnace room adjacent to nursery.

6) Kendon & Noelle helped tremendously with the sheet rock work. We have spent countless hours doing drywall till late each day.

7) Furnace room finally completed!

Now we pray for all the permits needed for gas/electricity/heating & necessary funds for all of that is needed to finish! AMEN!