

Ukraine Missions

a ministry of Dalraida church of Christ



Above Photo: Ivan and Nana. Nana has been attending the Ivano-Frankivsk Medical Institute. He was graduated this spring but the pandemic prevented him from leaving Ukraine. During his tenure as a student he learned the gospel and became a Christian. He would often lead singing in worship.

JULY 2020 UKRAINE MISSIONS NEWSLETTER!

The 2020 July UKRAINE NEWSLETTER is now ready for you to read. This newsletter communicates update reports on the actions of the Lord's Church during the month of July as the COVID-19 pandemic is still in control. There is a brief report from, Immadi about the pandemic's impact in India.



The Church in Ivano-Frankivsk continues to work in the community. Here is a brief report and photo that Ivan sent. It was through the generous donations of brethren that Luda could be helped (and in the report you will see that several others were helped because of special donations that were sent).

“Brethren, thank you for your help! Luda was in our class last night. She is a children's doctor. It happened so that she broke her arm and doctors had to put it together twice because it didn't grow back together as it should. Luda is thanking you for humanitarian aid and asking you to pray on her behalf.”
(Ivan Skoleba)

We continue sending updates on other actions that are not included in this month's newsletter. Be sure to check the website often.

I also want to urge you to visit brother Bill Lockwood's website <https://americanlibertywithbilllockwood.com/> and subscribe to his YouTube presentations. Bill brings a focus of sanity to the chaotic anarchy that is wreaking havoc in the United States of America. Bill is foremost a Christian and gospel preacher and you will appreciate his biblical insight into our situation.



UKRAINE MISSIONS NEWS

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Galyna and her walker

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IVAN SKOLEBA’S NEWS FOR JULY...

Greetings, dear brothers and sisters!

One more summer month is about over. Adaptive quarantine has been extended to August 31 in Ukraine. Thus, we are still partially isolated and have to meet safeguard requirements. The season of rain is coming to its end in Western Ukraine, there’s less rainfall now. Due to the pandemic, flooding and economic situation people have hard time replenishing what they’ve lost, repairing damaged roads, flooded fields and gardens. Many lost crops in fields and hay they usually store to feed their cattle.

With the humanitarian aid shipped by our American brethren, the church has been able to help a few families at their dire straits.

First of all, we gave aid to the needy members and those that study the Word of God as well as the elderly that are unable to get help from the children or other relatives.

Our sister Luba is a caregiver for an elderly friend of hers named Rosa, she talks to her about God and reads the Bible to her. Rosa’s 81-year old neighbor broke one leg. Her name is Galyna and she lives together with her disabled son. They used all their money to pay for the surgery. Galyna had heard from Rosa about a group that might be able to help her and give walkers, so, Galyna talked to Luba. The latter relayed the need to the Church and Ruslan found and delivered walkers which worked well for Galyna.

The walkers came from a relief container shipped by churches of Christ coordinated by John Kachelman and the Dalraida Church of Christ. Upon her return from the hospital, Galyna was amazed to see the walkers already at home realizing that she wouldn’t have to stay in bed all the time but would be able to move around. She thanked God with tears in her eyes so important it was to her. Since she spent all the money on the surgery, church assisted her financially for her to buy necessary medicines. We thank our American brothers and sisters who have sent extra funds to help Church during these trying times.

Galyna wrote a thank-you note to the Church in Ivano-Frankivsk and in America for such great help. She says she would like to join our assembly

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THE CHURCH SHOWS THE LOVE OF GOD!



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online on Sunday, Wednesday and Friday. She's told all her neighbors about such timely and vital help for her and her son facing a very rough situation.

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Our members have received some financial aid since prices on medicines increased and we have older sisters that are supposed to take prescribed drugs continually.

Young man of 18 by the name of Volodya living in Ivano-Frankivsk was assaulted by some young men which resulted in disability. He is 29 now. Andrew met him and we visited that family. Volodya lives with his grandmother and it's becoming more and more difficult for the latter to move him around in his wheelchair. He needs an electric one so that he can move around on his own. Svitlana and I have found Christians in Europe willing to give such a wheelchair to Volodya but shipping needs to be paid. We pray and ask the Lord to help get this wheelchair to Volodya as he desperately needs it. We keep this family in our prayers.

We have given aid in the village of Zelena to the families that are worshipping online with us. Besides, Svitlana and I go to the village every Sunday after worship service where we have an evening service and a children's Bible class. Roads are very bad there and it takes us two hours to get there and two hours back. We pray for the government to pay attention to that part of the road and to have it repaired.

We thank all who prayed with us for the family of Bogdan and Galyna. We wrote before that they were subject to verbal attacks from their relatives who called them a "sect." Bogdan and Galyna did not pay them back with the same harsh words and did not turn away from them. So, this Sunday when we went there to teach our usual classes, Olexiy and his wife came. They apologized and we had good time talking about the Bible and salvation.

These families have suffered from the flooding and are repairing their houses. Their cattle are left without hay. It continues raining but not as hard. Because of our brothers and sisters timely donations, we have been able to help these families as well with the Lord's benevolence.

Please, continue praying for Lily and Ivan and their daughter Tonya. Ivan has not overcome his depression yet. He is in hospital now undergoing a nose surgery as his nose bleeds quite often. Their older daughter Tonya has finished school and about to enroll in the Ivano-Frankivsk University. She is in hospital as well having treatments for a kidney condition. We keep this family in our prayers. If Tonya goes to School in Ivano-Frankivsk, she will be able to come to Church.

Our brothers Ruslan and Pavlo have finished repairing the school desks shipped by our American friends. The desks look brand new and we will give them to schools in Ugornyky, Stary Lysets and other villages for the new academic year.

We continue worshipping at the meeting place and online. Men have a schedule for serving in the assembly. Our Sunday sermon topic has been "Salvation through Faith"; on Wednesdays we have studied Personal Relationships with the Lord; on Fridays we have a prayer session to pray for various needs.

THE CHURCH AT WORK



Children's Bible Class in
Village Zelena!



World Bible Institute in
Ivano-Frankivsk, Ukraine



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We pray for America asking the Lord for help that nation at such trying times. We also keep Christians around the world in our prayers.

We had a visitor last Sunday. It was Freya whom Church helped for a year. She said she was not ready yet to attend and that she was afraid of the reaction of the people at the School. She is afraid we might be a "sect." It is hard for her to understand because people are taught traditions from their childhood that unless a Church is in its own building it is a sect of the Devil.

Ivan and Olga Bandura came to Church with their daughter. They have heard a great amount of Bible about the Lord and His Church but they are still not willing to give up traditions. We pray for these families.

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We continue our online ministry, Bible School.

We pray for our construction to go on and be completed. We keep Olga and Michail (Misha is chief of the workers and is Maryna's uncle) in our prayers – they have pneumonia. It is the family of one of our builders. In fact all of construction workers have positive COVID-19. Our men - Andrew, Ruslan, Pasha and Ivan spent a lot of time around the workers helping and delivering stuff. They and their families might have to either have tests or self-quarantine. There are no other proved infections among the members and their families.

We pray on behalf of Yaroslav Olexiyovych. Changing weather takes its toll on his health.

We are sending big thanks to our American brethren for being a part of us. We pray and ask God to give hundredfold to each one blessing them richly with health, wisdom and joy.

Thanks to Tanya for timely and skilled translations.

Heartfelt greetings to all loving the Lord from us and from the Lord's Church in Ivano-Frankivsk.

We love you sincerely in Christ. Ivan, Svitlana

RUSLAN SKOLEBA SENDS NEWS...

Greetings, brothers and sisters!

Thank God, we can continue working in His vineyard despite the quarantine. Even though worship and Bible class attendance is better now than at the beginning of the quarantine, we continue streaming our services that are watched by many. Some are afraid to come because of the pandemic; others live far away and cannot come every time. For example, the whole family of Bogdan and Galyna from Zelena worship with us online. Many of you have met them personally and know what the roads are like there and how long it takes to get to their place.

Our members are actively preaching the Word of God. One sister made two good deeds at the same time - she talked to a woman about the Church and afterwards we were able to help this woman with walkers that came in a relief container shipped by Christians in the USA. This is an older lady and she had a leg surgery so she cannot walk on her own any more. This woman wrote a thank you letter to the Church thanking for the help with her need. She thought there was no way to get help but Lord's Church here helped her.

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Together with Pasha, we finished repairing the school desks by the end of this month. After that they will be delivered where they are needed on behalf of the Church.

Everybody is sending big thanks for your prayers and support. We would love to see all of you and hope that the lockdown is over soon and you will come for a visit and fellowship.

May God strengthen and richly bless you and yours! Ruslan

PAVLO TUZNICHENKO’S NEWS...

I am happy to send you my love and greetings, my dear brothers and sisters. In my prayers, I thank our Lord and Savior for you, for your love, support, and prayers that are needed by all churches of Christ throughout the world. Your concern and care encourage and strengthen us giving us more optimism and assurance as we labor in God’s vineyard.

I am thankful to our Lord for His presence among us with His love and mercy, for the strength He gives us to grow both physically and spiritually every year. I pray and ask the Lord to bless and strengthen us through the time we are allotted on earth so that we could be more zealous as we work for Him and could help many more people to come to Christ and become children of God; so that we could help them realized that God is our Father and He is not going to abandon us if we trust Him and rely on Him in all life’s situations. Just like our physical parents, our loving Heavenly Father provides us with all we need, answers our requests that we reveal to Him in prayers, comforts and helps us, gives us wisdom to do right in various situations. The Lord teaches and disciplines us so that we can be worthy of the calling to spread His word.

I always thank the Lord for your hearts that are open and filled with love, understanding and sympathy as you support and pray for us and other congregations of church of Christ in Ukraine and all over the world.

During July I continue teaching Bible correspondence course to my beloved students. I pray and ask God to bless this ministry of mine and to give me wisdom as I teach the truth untwisted. Brethren, please, pray for that as well. I do hope that this work will result in the growth of Lord’s family by at least a few people. Indeed, our task is to fight for every soul to be saved.

Work in God’s vineyard is a source of a great joy to me as I serve in Sunday assemblies when we worship our Lord. I also take part in the busy life of the church in Ivano-Frankivsk. We have finished repairing the school desks which will be delivered to schools and orphanages. Since our summer has been very rainy and weeds have been thriving, we have to fight those that grow around our church building quite often.

As usual, I pray to the Lord asking Him to strengthen the spirit of those that have decided to follow Him. Again, and again do I pray for Him to give me wisdom and love to be a better laborer in His vineyard. My dear brethren, please, pray with me for the Lord to add to His Church as many as possible; for the growth of Church all over the world; for those people that have not arrived on the right path of following Christ; for peace in this country. Please, pray for my family, for my children and their health, for me to be a worthy spiritual instructor to them.

REPAIRING SCHOOL DESKS

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I keep you and your families in my prayers wishing you good health and God's love. May your kindness be returned to you hundredfold.

With much love, Your brother in Christ Pavlo

NEWS FROM INDIA...OUR BROTHER IMMADI

My dear loving brother David and sister Gennie, Greetings in the merciful name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We are praying and hoping that you are doing well by the grace of God. I and the preachers here once again convey our thanks with gratitude for your cheerful and sacrificial helps. We are daily thanking God for you and begging God to keep you safe at this time of pandemic. Sir coronavirus-19 is increasing rapidly in India. It is high in our state capital Hyderabad. Here in Jadcherla four cases came up. We are praying God to remove the virus from earth. Government granted permission for worship services. I made members into three batches and worshipping three times 8.30 AM first service 11.30 second service and 2.30 third service. We are using masks and sanitizers.

Sir we thank you from the inner hearts of our Hearts for your great love. We bow before you and thank you for your kind alms. Thank you very much. You are always in our thoughts and prayers.

Closing with love, Immadi

CONSTRUCTION UP-DATE...

Good afternoon, brother John, I hope you are all well and you are all healthy. We are all very touched by the anarchy situation in America. This is already beyond common sense. We pray for a solution to this situation as soon as possible.

I want to explain the situation with the insurance of our construction. I have worked on this issue with various insurance agencies and everyone says the same thing until we have technical documents for occupancy of the premises such is not possible. Therefore, we need to complete the internal rough work as soon as possible and carry out all communications so that we can produce a technical passport for the premises and put it into operation. Then we will receive documents with the actual address. Then we will be able to apply for insurance services for consideration, several insurance agencies and choose the best offer for us. Unfortunately, no one wants to insure the unfinished without documents, and without the actual address and cannot, because it is necessary to specify in the contract the location of the object of insurance.

As of today, the masters have already finished plastering the interior walls and slopes of the windows in the room. This step cost us 33050. Of which we received 30,000 from brethren in America, and 1,050 my brothers and I worked as helpers and thus saved this amount. So, we still have to pay the masters \$2,000 for the work.

Thank you all very much for your participation in this project.

You are always in our hearts and prayers.

Glory to our blessed God for everything!

With love in Christ, Andrew Lagno.