

# Dear brothers and sisters,

In the last 3 months - April, May, June - Church of Christ in Lviv has managed to do a huge amount of work. And the abundance of ministries that we are leading brought forth their fruit for God

#### Lviv Bible School

During these months in the educational program of Lviv Bible School, we have studied the following courses: Matthew (taught by Albert Bagdasaryan), James (taught by Owen Farley), Joshua (taught by Stas Kuropiatnykov). On average, we have about 20 people per course, and there are people who join us online from various cities of Ukraine. These courses went great; they were taught on a very high level. Students made extensive notes, memorized verses from the Bible and were fully participating in the study program. I think that is a great program for Christian education in Ukraine.

#### Work with children

We work actively with the children of our church and also with the children of refugees from eastern parts of our country where military actions are taking place. Bible classes for kids are always fun and educational. Our kids grow in knowledge of the Bible and spiritual moral principles. I hope that this ministry will bring forth good fruits (in the form of strong next generation of Christians in Ukraine) in its time.

### Ladies' Bible classes

Ladies continue gathering to pray together, praise God and support one another. My wife leads this ministry and says that it is very important for female members of our church and also our guests to have a place where they can come and share their joys and sorrows together, since many of those who come have their husbands and sons in the army protecting Ukraine.

# Youth group meetings

We continue putting a lot of effort into the work with teenagers and young adults of our congregation. This is a growing generation that is very active in the church and participates in some ministries entrusted to them by the church. Youth group meetings under the leadership of Bogdan Chigvintsev are always lively and educational. There is a very noticeable growth among young adults and their love to God and desire to serve.

## **Humanitarian ministry**

That is one of the biggest ministries that our congregation has. There are two families that lost absolutely everything in Bakhmut (Sasha Mila and Anatoliy Antonina). They give out food to the needy and preach them the gospel at 2pm on Sundays. This ministry allows to do a lot of good to people and we are able to gather about 20 to 30 people every Sunday. Some of them get the help that we provide, and we never see them again. However, some of them stay in the church and join the spiritual family. It's a wonderful ministry and a very effective instrument for preaching in Ukraine these days.

## **Sunday Worship**

The church continues gathering together every Sunday despite the circumstances - war and needs - in order to worship God and support one another. The worship services are always great, and the attendance in church averages now about 80 to 90 people.

# Fruits of the ministry - baptisms

In the past 3 months, seven souls accepted the gospel and were baptized for the remission of sins, joining Lviv Church of Christ. These are wonderful people. I am glad that Lviv church work as one team for the glory of God, every person in their ministry.

# **Personal gratitudes**

I want to thank everyone who prayed for me and my family. In April, my wife and I had a third baby, our second son. My wife is OK and is recovering after delivery. The children are also healthy; however, our middle son shows the obvious symptoms of stress as a result of continuous air raid alarms.

According to the Ukrainian law people who have 3 children have the right to leave the army. Therefore, at the end of May I was finally discharged. Now I have the status of participant of the military action and of a war veteran, and I believe that this status and what I did for Ukraine will open many doors to preach the gospel. Thank you for supporting me in your prayers, words of encouragement during over 2 years of my military service.

Now I will be able to commit myself fully to the church ministry as I did before the beginning of the war.

Dear brethren, I urge you to continue praying for this war in Ukraine to end and for safety of Christians in Ukraine. I am grateful for your support in prayers as well as finances. If you want to connect with me and learn more about the ministry in Lviv or Ukraine or if you want to help in these ministries, please feel free to email or call me. Below, you can see the pictures of the ministries that were mentioned here.

God bless you abundantly!

Your brother and coworker in Christ, Stas



