

Hello and Greetings to our dear brothers and sisters in the United States! We are thankful to God for your continued generosity in supporting our family and the ministry of New Life Church here in Ukraine. Right now, we are enjoying the summer and enjoying a summer break from the usual activities/ministries that we do throughout the fall/winter/spring seasons. Looking back, we see God's grace and generosity as always. Despite quarantine, we were able to have weekly meetings with the children, youth and adults. We are so thankful for this. God has protected us and kept us safe! I have been in charge of our kid's outreach for kids 12 and younger. We studied together the Ten Commandments and the fruit of the Spirit. We had wonderful time together doing things like baking American chocolate chip cookies and bringing them to people that are not able to leave the house, making pizza, having treasure hunts, and hotdog roasts. The kids earned money/points by coming to church and memorizing verses, and attendance, etc. By the end of the club, they were all very happy to spend their money buying snacks and small toys that we sold in our "store" that we set up for them.



Even though there is a summer break for some activities, other activities have started up. One thing that we are doing this summer is street evangelism. Vasya and I did it together before with open air preaching and handing out evangelism tracts, but then covid hit and it all was shut down. Now we started it back up. We are happy to see that many in the church are taking part in this. The kids take



part in handing out balloons to other kids. Some people stand by the table we have with cookies and drinks. A small group sings and plays on musical instruments. Others are handing out gospel tracks and trying to tell others the gospel

message. Still others are at the church praying. Honestly, I see it as a bold step we needed to take as a church. God is helping us to grow in being bolder and to reach out. Pray that the church would be emboldened and encouraged as she sees God is blessing in being faithful to His calling. In addition, pray that people would believe and be saved! Pray that lives be saved for God's glory!

Another thing we are doing this summer are the camps, one of which we just finished last week. It was a Vacation Bible School that we had for kids ages 7-11. The week before it started, the weather forecast was for a week of rain. Thank God, that He was gracious in giving us hot and dry weather! We needed this dry weather especially because the VBS was held on a territory with a swimming pool and would be held mostly outdoors. The camp went very well with about 35 children coming. The whole week was filled with games, contests, crafts, Bible lessons, swimming, and evening meetings. The last evening we had invited Christians that do magic trick shows to share the gospel. Many of the parents came as well. Everybody was quite happy. One mom came to thank us after the camp closing, and she said that if we ever organize



something again, they would be happy to come. We hope and pray that the word that was sown will bring forth fruit for God's glory. Please pray for the second camp that we will be having for the older kids in August. It will, like every year, be in the outdoors with tents.



Our family, for the most part is doing well. Like every family, we have our difficulties. Our latest addition is Anastacia. She was brought home from the orphanage in the middle of January. Although she is adapting, (we all are!), she seems to have more problems than the other kids do. She turned two in May but only two weeks ago started to walk. She has some spinal problems as well as with her legs so she frequently has some physical therapy. In the beginning, she was very aggressive with hitting and throwing things but we see that she is calming down and turning into a very sweet little girl. Please pray for our family and all the kids. We defiantly need God's grace! In addition, we really ask you for prayers in this coming week. We plan to take a road trip to the black sea for a much-needed vacation. We plan to leave Anastacia with church friends because the trip would be too much for her. Please pray for the weather, the trip, and that Anastacia would be okay.



We are continuing to build a new house for our large family. The building is going well. I do need to continue to remind myself that Ukraine is not America and to have more patience. In America, everything is built fast and with construction crews and organization. Here.....nope. But thank God that He is giving us this opportunity and that I am sure some day we will have a nice and large enough house for my family and also the many guests that our church has. Thank you Jesus!!!!

Thank you again for your continual financial support and many prayers for our family and for the kingdom work being done here. We thank God for His abundant grace for us. He daily provides for our needs!! He gives us the grace to live each day! We praise Him! May God continue to bless you back one-hundred fold for all that you do for us.

Sincerely, Vasya and Maranda Heytsi

