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PRAISES/PRAYER REQUESTS

1. Pavel visited an orphanage and gave away 300 Christmas gifts
2. Vasil Preutesa has been using the story of Christ to share the Gospel with some families, please pray for them
3. Grigory Postusak held a baptism for 23 people
4. Continue praying for people living in the war zone
5. The members of Valery Popov's church each gave Christmas packages to 5 unsaved friends
6. The youth are involved in many conferences and evangelistic outreaches
7. Grigory Kioresko's grandson was dedicated

Petihachny Pavel

In December the most important ministry was our visit of the orphanage in Snyatin, a town in Ivano-Frankovsk region that is 80 km. away from Chernovtsy. My daughter Angela led the Christmas program presented to the kids. We gave presents to 300 orphans there. Our visit was a blessing to them. The staff of the orphanage told us that it was a long time since they haven't received any help. So they invited us to visit them more often.

A sister in Christ from Nesvoia, who accepted the Lord in summer wanted to get baptized; so on December 4th she received baptism at brother Pastushak's church, in Chernovtsy. We pray for her because her husband and daughter are not repented. May the Lord strengthen her and give her health because she was very sick and even now her health is not in good condition.

We held an outreach in a village called Starchea that is 35 km. away from Chernovtsy. At the beginning of the service there were a few listeners, be-



cause it was snowing hard and it was cold. But after 20 minutes the room was full and around 100 people gathered to listen to the Gospel.

In December I taught the 4th course students at the seminary in Chernovtsy. I taught them Ephesians. After the course many students decided to write their thesis on this book. I am glad for their decision.

Our youth and children are preparing for going caroling on January 7th in two villages: Nesvoia and Podvirne. We prepared invitations to church and calendars for every house we will be caroling. We pray for this ministry.

Thank you for your financial support and for your prayers. We love you and pray for you.

Love, Pavel and Larisa Petihachny

Gortopan Mihai

By God's grace and mercy we lived in peace on the last month of 2016 that passed in the eternity. It was a blessed year in which we felt God's guidance and presence.

In December I had a greater opportunity to visit the sick and other members of our church. I like to encourage the others because by encouraging the others, I am strengthening myself.

Our youth lead a service at church in which they preached, sang and recited poems. That motivated us to pray more for them as they are the future of our church. Also they prepared a special program for Christmas and New Year's services.

Thank you for supporting us in our ministry. Even if you are far away, we feel your support and I am so thankful to you, because only with your help I can be useful to the others. We pray for you, we love you and we wish you to have a blessed new year.

Best wishes,

Gortopan Mihai

Vasil Preutesa

In the last month of 2016 I had the opportunity to share the people in Fagadau the Good News of Jesus Christ. In December the orthodox people celebrate different kinds of holidays such as Saint Nicholas Day or Saint Andrew's Day that are significant for them but they don't know who these saints were. They do what their par-



ents did before, without asking why they are doing it. I am telling this because when I entered some houses in Fagadau I asked them whom are they honoring on that day, and they didn't know what to answer. I started to tell them about Jesus Christ, the world's Savior, and that only Him we should honor and celebrate because only He deserves praise and honor. I also invited them to the Bible study that is held in our church. There they would be able to learn more about God's love and His plan of salvation. Please pray for the families I talked to: Leon and Eugenia, Ion and Maria. Please pray also for all people in Fagadau and Vanchikauts to whom I share the Gospel on different occasions. Pray also for me to be able to work in these two villages.

Our youth is preparing special Christmas programs with skits and songs for Christmas and New Year. We plan to go caroling in two villages: Vanchikauts and Fagadau. We prepared invitations to the Christmas program that has to be the following day at church and calendars for each house that we will be caroling. We pray God to work at the hearts of the people in Vanchikauts and Fagadau.

Thank you for supporting me financially and spiritually by your prayers. May the Lord reward you!

Receive lots of greetings from my family. We wish you Merry Christmas and may the blessings of the Lord be upon you and your families!

Love, Vasil Preutesa, pastor-missionary in Fagadau and Vanchikauts

Postusak Grigory

Dear brothers and sisters, I greet you with the peace of the Lord and wish you a blessed Christmas and New Year. I wish to continue our partnership with you working in the Lord's vineyard because we see that the Lord's coming is near and a lot of people need salvation from hell and sin.

On the first Sunday in December, we had a new testimonial baptism at church; where 9 people from our church and 14 from churches of Chernovtsy region made a covenant with the Lord through baptism. It was a great holiday for our church with lots of guests from all around, including the relatives of those who were baptized. The building was full. We pray for those who heard the Gospel and haven't accepted the Lord as their Savior.

I took an active part at the recording of two radio programs that are launched live twice a week by the local radio. The names of the programs are: "The way to the Temple" and "Bible Time for Family". We pray the Lord to open us doors so that the programs would be translated on the radio every day, not only twice a week, so that people would be able to hear the Gospel more.

Before the New Year's Eve we had another youth meeting at the Coffee House, where 500 young people praised the Lord and enjoyed the fellowship in Christ. I am glad that more and more young people understand that their lives are nothing without Jesus Christ. At the end of the meeting a young girl accepted the Lord as her Savior.

At church we had some guests, a group of youth from Donetsk (war area). They told us about the ministry in their churches and about their life there. It is hard to live there. Our church decided to continue to support the churches from that region. We gathered different goods for them such as food, shoes, clothing, washing powder, drugs and money. We pray for our brothers and sisters from the war area to be protected and encouraged by the Lord. Please continue to pray for Ukraine that the Lord would stop this war without any sense.

Thank you for supporting us and working with us in Ukraine. May the Lord bless you! My family is sending greetings to you all, and especially to Carl and Marilyn Rosema and to Cornel and Gabi Stef.

Best regards, Pastushak Grigory



Valery Popov

By God's mercy we have finished a year full of blessings. This year God added to His church from Novoselitsa four young people. We praise Him for this grace.

This month I preached and taught the Bible, building spiritually the local church. I also had other activities. Each member of the church gave as a gift a package with some Christian brochures and a calendar to 5 of their unsaved friends. We pray for each person who received the package with brochures and calendars to be searched by the Holy Spirit and know the Truth.

Our church hosted the district youth meeting. The youth were motivated to live in holiness and share the good news about our Jesus Christ to all people.

Our children had a meeting where they listened to a Christmas story 'Jesus is the Light'. We are glad to serve the young generation and to bring them to Christ.

Thank you and God for your financial and spiritual support.

Best regards, Popov Valery



Paskari Alexa

Dear brothers and sisters, I greet you with the Peace of the Lord! In December I did the following work in the Lord's vineyard.

At the very beginning of the month, I and a group of the youth visited three sick members of our church and shared the Community with them. We read the Bible there and sang songs. Ten people the sick's relatives, who are not Christian listened to the Gospel very carefully. We pray for them to be touched by God.

Our choir served at two funerals in two different villages: Forosna and Dolzhok. Around 200 people heard the Gospel at these services. I invited all the listeners at the funerals to attend their local churches. We pray for them.

Our youth visited the church in Forosna and had a beautiful praise and worship program there. They also attended the youth meeting in Novoselitsa. I am glad that our

youth are eager to study the Bible and are active in sharing fellowship with other young people of the region.

We are preparing an outreach that is to be on January 7th, when we will celebrate Christmas. We also plan to go caroling in the village and tell our villagers about God's love and the great news. We prepared for each house in the village invitations to the Christmas service and calendars. We pray for this ministry.

Thank you for your financial and prayer support. May the Lord bless your families, your churches and your country! My family is sending you greetings and we wish you a Merry and blessed Christmas. May the Lord bless you with lots of health, joy and peace in your hearts! We love you and pray for you.

Best wishes, Paskar Alex

Kioresko Grigory

Dear brothers and sisters, I greet you with the peace of our Lord Jesus! I always thank God for you, for your dedication in the ministry in Ukraine and for your support. Thank you for your prayers, I feel that God answers them through His power and help.

By God's grace I have served Him in the last month of 2016 that has passed so quickly. I have preached 18 sermons in our church from Rakitna. Besides I visited the church in Vizhnitsa, where my son Benjamin and his wife Lily live. There I preached at a morning service; but the most wonderful moment there was the dedication of Benjamin and Lily's first newborn Mathew, and my first grandson.

At church the choir, children and the youth are preparing special programs for Christmas. I made 12 pastoral visits to some families and gave them useful advice from the Bible. I visited a sister in Christ whose son passed away and she is going through a tough time and she needed encouragement.

My family is well. We are waiting for our second grandson, Rebecca and Andrei's baby. Please, pray for Rebecca's health as her pregnancy goes hard. Please pray for me too, to be strengthened in faith and stand any trial.

Love, Kioresko's family



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