### FEBRUARY 2017



# PIEI-UKRAINE



Establishing Partnerships with National Christian Missionaries

## HIGHLIGHTS

- 1. Pavel Petihachny led several Bible studies for youths and adults
- 2. The church in Rakitna celebrated the 500th anniversary of the Reformation
- 3. Vasil Preutesa chared the Gospel with the mayor of Novoselitsa and several teachers at the school
- 4. Vasil Preutesa is back on antibiotics, pray for his health
- 5. Grigory Postusak hosted children from the War Zone, and organized large children and youth events
- 6. Alexa Parkari has spent 6 months discipling those who wish to be baptized
- 7. Grigory Kioresko has a second grandson

#### **Petihachny Pavel**

I praise the Lord for helping me to teach the book of Daniel to the youth from Novoselitsa district at a youth meeting that was in Marshentsa church this month. There were 65 young people at the youth meeting, eager to study the Word of God. At the end of the meeting I re-

ceived a lot of questions concerning the study.

A brother Venia confessed, "I understood that I have to avoid boasting and walk with God in obedience and He will be raised up as Daniel was. My prayer is always to walk in truth before God."

With the teacher's team we taught Christian ethics to the children from an orphanage in a town called Hotyn that is 50 kilometers from Chernovtsy. At the end we gave them a lot of



sweets. We praise the Lord for working so wonderfully with those children.

In Nesvoia church I did a Bible study from the book of Ephesians. I focused the church how can grow after the model of Jesus Christ.

All the Baptist churches joined the Pentecostal churches from Novoselitsa district and organized a great evangelism in the town hall in Novoselitsa. There were a lot of unsaved listeners for whom we pray.

I preached at a funeral in Nesvoia. The husband of a member of our church passed away. He wasn't saved but I had the opportunity to preach the Gospel to 150 unsaved people. There were a lot of his colleagues, who heard the Gospel. We pray for all of those who heard the Gospel. Some of them resisted the Word of God but we believe that God works in a wonderful way and can touch and melt any stony heart.

Love, Pavel and Larisa Petihachny

#### **Gortopan Mihai**

February was a blessed month in which we worked for God's kingdom. Our youth visited the church in Rakitna. They had a beautiful program there with songs, po-

etry and sermons. This year we celebrate the 500th anniversary of Martin Luther's Great Reformation. With this occasion there are a lot of different events and outreaches. There were several outreaches in Novoselitsa concert hall since the beginning of this year, where our youth served with praise and worship programs. I pray for all people who heard the Gospel to experience the reformation in their lives and start a new life with Jesus Christ.

Thank you for supporting the PIEI Ukraine. You are a blessing to us and I wish that "My God shall supply all your need, according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:19)

Love, Gortopan Mihai

#### **Vasil Preutesa**

At the village of Novoselitsa I talked to the mayor. He asked me a lot of questions that were not clear for him in the Bible and I with God's help answered at all of them. I explained him what repentance and a life devoted to Jesus Christ mean. I pray for him and his family to know Jesus Christ. Then I went to school and talked to a lot of teachers. I pray for all of them to decide to follow Jesus.



I visited some sisters in Christ, members of our church, at the hospital in Novoselitsa. Each time I preached the gospel to other patients in the hospital and to those who shared the same room with our sisters. At hospital people are more open to the Scriptures than in other places, because they think of God more often when they suffer. I pray for all who heard the Gospel that the Lord would work at their hearts.

I am glad that in Fagadau a young boy who went to the PIEI camp last summer accepted the Lord. He and some girls in our church want to be baptized in summer. That's why I started discipleship lessons with them.

Thank you for praying for me and for supporting me financially. May the Lord bless you and reward you!

I have to start taking antibiotics again, because I don't feel very well. Please, continue to pray for me to be healthy and strengthened in the ministry I do. Receive many greetings from my family.

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

#### **Postusak Grigory**

With God's help in February our church hosted 25 children from the war area, exactly from a town called Avdeevka that fell under bombs and explosions. Those children came so stressed, but spending 10 days with us, they became a little cheerful. They felt well in our families.

With the children of our church that attend Sunday school, we prepared a program and organized a meeting for children on the last Sunday of February. There came 250 children at the meeting. They spent a great time with a Bible lesson, contests and games. We were glad that several children accepted the Lord in their hearts. We pray for them.

On the last Thursday of February the youth met at Coffee House. There were 350 young people at that meeting. They had a wonderful time praising the Lord through

songs and hearing the Gospel. We were glad that some young people accepted the Lord as their Savior. We pray for them. Also I and my mates from the Theological Institute had a week of bible study with the young people who have recently repented. I am glad that many of them decided to enter the seminary next year and are eager to study the Word of God. We pray for all our youth as they are the future of our church.

Our church raised some funds for our brothers in Christ in the war area. This time we helped two cities in war, Mariupol and Mariinka. We thank God for the opportunity to help our brothers in need. We continue to pray the Lord to spot this war.

I had the opportunity to assist at a devotional of a young brother as a pastor in a town in Chernivtsy region, called Hertsa. The brother's name is Valery Gavriluk. He was a student at the Seminary in Chernovtsy and we are glad for him to face the challenge to work in the local church in Hertsa. We pray for this church and

for the people in that town so that many would answer the calling of Jesus to repentance. Please pray for this brother to be strengthened in this ministry, because it is not so easy to be a good pastor.

Thank you for supporting us and praying for us. Please, continue to pray for us because we need your prayers. May the Lord bless you and reward your sacrifice!

Be blessed, Pastushak Gregory



#### **Valery Popov**

Every Saturday my wife Alla teaches the Bible lessons to the teen's group that gather at church. Also every Sunday we have special programs for the children who attend Sunday school. The Sunday teachers try to do the time a blessing to the children.

On February 26th we participated at the massive evangelism that took place in the town hall in Novoselitsa. Our youth sang songs



and I with other brothers shared Christian brochures. I also talked to some people who came to the evangelism. There were around 300 people at the evangelism. We pray for all people who heard the Gospel. This year we celebrate 500 years since the great Lutheran Reformation and the government allowed the Protestant churches to celebrate it by organizing different outreach events around the country. Please pray for us, for each event planned this year and for the Ukrainian people to open their hearts for the Lord.

Be blessed, Popov Valery

#### Paskari Alexa

There are 2 months since I have started discipleship lessons with 6 candidates for baptism. We are planning a New Testimonial baptism this summer. We pray for this event and for the candidates to be strengthened in their faith. Every Wednesday we do a bible study with the young families. We pray for them too.

Our church helped financially a family that is not Christian but who have a sick daughter and were in need of money. They were very happy of our gift and thanked us. We pray for this family to know the love of God.

Thank you for the financial and spiritual support. You are a great help for us in the ministry. May the Lord bless you and reward you. My family is sending lots of greetings and thanks.

Love, your brother in Christ, Alex Paskar

#### **Kioresko Grigory**

By God's Grace we spent another month and I can say with joy that God was with me, my family and with the local church I serve.

Every month, on the last Sunday, all churches in the district organize evangelisms at the town hall in Novoselitsa. We planned this program for the whole year of 2017. We are allowed to use the town hall for evangelisms and we are using this privilege with joy. My son Benjamin and his wife Esther praised the Lord with two songs at

the last evangelism that was on 26th February in Novoselitsa. We pray for all people who heard the Gospel.

We organized an outreach in Rakitna where 308 people attended it. It was a great evangelism and people in the community liked it a lot, but they don't want to repent. Please, pray for our village and the people living here, as well for the local church in Rakitna. We all need a spiritual awakening.

Also in February God blessed Anderi and Rebecca with a son, Mark. He is my second grandson, and we hope that he will be indeed another evangelist in the Lord's vineyard. Please, pray for them.

I and my wife always pray for you and thank the Lord for you and for your support. May the Lord bless you and reward you!

Love, Kioresko's family





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