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## PRAISES/PRAYER REQUESTS

- 1) Pastor Pavel has been praying with and training young men to be missionaries in the war area of Ukraine
- 2) Many of the youth went caroling and handed out Christian pamphlets
- 3) Vasil Preutesa shared the Gospel in a hospital
- 4) A man named Ivan accepted Christ because of his mother's confession of faith as she died
- 5) Keep praying for Vasil Preutesa's health and funds for his treatment
- 6) Postusak Grigory visited Israel and met with deputies of Parliament there
- 7) A girl, Diana, has been baptized, but her family is unsupportive
- 8) Sick and poor people in many villages were ministered to. Pray for funds to continue helping them
- 9) Kioresko Grigory was able to witness his brother's salvation before he passed away
- 10) Kioresko Grigory has called for 40 days of fasting and prayer, please join him in that effort

## Petihachny Pavel

This year I started my ministry with a big evangelism in Nesvoia church that was on January 1st. Many unbelievers responded to our invitations and came to the evangelism. We pray for all who heard the Gospel. Also on January 7th we celebrated Christmas and our youth went caroling in 2 villages. While caroling they invited people to a Christmas program that would be the following day at church. Again many responded to their invitation and came the next day to church. We are glad that since then 5 people attend regularly the church. We pray for these people to decide themselves for the Lord.

On January 10th I went to Dnepropetrovsk, a city that is 10 km far from the war area. I was met by 13 young people at the station with whom later I studied the Bible. I taught them how to plan a sermon and a lesson. I gave them tips about how to preach in extreme situations, in undergrounds, where people there are living now. On the morning of January 22nd after I prayed with those young men, 8 of them started their missionary work in the war area. The others remained to serve the Lord in Dnepropetrovsk region. Please, join with us in your prayers for them.

Pastors in Dnepropetrovsk asked me to do a study with their churches on generosity in order to challenge the members of the church to help the people in the war area and not to wait until we, the churches in the western part of the country would help. I saw how churches collected money for the people in need in the war area, after my study. They will send the money to the churches in the war area, because people there eat only once a day.

Pastors in this region promised me that they would take care of the 14 missionaries I have prepared so they can do their work without lack of anything. I told them that the churches of Cher-



nivtsi region will constantly help them as much as we can afford, only that missionaries in Dnepropetrovsk had everything they need. Shootings and explosions are constantly heard in Dnepropetrovsk. Please, pray for peace in Ukraine.

On January 30th our church organized a charity event called "The Orphans' Christmas". We provided breakfast, lunch and dinner for over 200 orphans. At the end they also received sweets, clothes and shoes that our church has prepared for them. In addition, they spent a great time with our youth leaders who prepared for them different Bible contests and sports games. I am so grateful to God for the youth group from our church that helps me in the ministry spiritually and financially. May the Lord bless them!

Love, Pavel and Larisa Petihachny

## Gortopan Mihai

I praise the Lord for His amazing care. I am grateful to the Lord for His day by day guidance and support. January was a month full of events of sharing the Gospel. On the first week of the year every day we had prayer time at church where we prayed for different needs and situations. Then we celebrated the birth of our Lord Jesus. Again this is a great event to share the Good News to unbelievers. The youth and the teens of the church as well as other volunteers went caroling to people's houses in the village. They also handed out Christian pamphlets and calendars. At church we had Christmas programs as well. We went caroling in the neighboring village Vanchikauts too.

In Vanchikauts we had a funeral this month. An old lady who accepted the Lord before her death passed away. Her grandchildren are members of the church in Vanchikauts. It was a blessed funeral where many unbelievers from the community were present and heard the Gospel. I pray for all who heard the Word of God. We had a funeral in Tarasauts, where many unbelievers heard the Gospel as well.

Our youth attended a youth meeting in Chernovtsy with the participation of some brothers from Romania. They learnt important things there. I pray for them to draw nearer to God and grow spiritually. Thank you for collaborating with us. I wish to continue our collaboration and enjoy the good results that encourage us so much.

Best wishes, Gortopan Mihai



## Vasil Preutesa

The Bible teaches us to care about the sick, widows, orphans and the poor. God helped me to visit the hospital in Novoselitsa. There I had the privilege to talk to sick men and women, most of them being unbelievers. I told them about Jesus' birth. They asked me a lot of questions, about the Epiphany, the Virgin Mary, John the Baptizer, and the New Testament baptism. I also talked to the doctors; I told them my testimony how God has saved and healed me. I praised God for His love to me and to the world.

At church we had a wonderful Christmas program dedicated to our Lord Jesus' birth.

We had a viewing for a sister in Christ that went home to be with Jesus, and had a service where we preached the gospel. Her grandchildren are Christian, and before sister's death a brother visited her, and they prayed together and she accepted Jesus in her life. Half an hour later she passed away. Her son in law, Ivan, sometimes attended church, but he didn't have any plan to repent because of alcohol and tobacco addiction. He was astonished when he heard that his mother in law accepted the Lord. The next day over 20 unbelievers were present at the funeral and heard the Gospel. We had a great joy and praise the Lord because on the next Sunday Ivan came to church and repented. He told us that he couldn't sleep at all two nights since his mother in law passed away. That's why he decided himself for Jesus. We pray for Ivan to be strengthened in his faith. Our duty is to visit him more often and encourage him.

As for me I have to take drugs for three weeks, every three months in order not to allow the infection to spread in the intestines. The drugs are very expensive and if I don't take them on time I may die. I thank God for you, because you helped me a lot; you pray for me and help me financially even you bought me a car. May the Lord give you health, strengthen your faith and bless you! We love you, pray for you and thank you. Continue to pray for me please that as far as I am healthy I would be able to share the Gospel to the people.

Best wishes, your brother in Christ, Preutesa Vasil



## Postusak Grigory

Last month our church had the opportunity to host 16 boys and girls from the war area. They spent 10 days in our area. Our youth had shown them Bukovina's sites and every evening they organized youth meetings for them. They participated at the Christmas program at church and went caroling with our youth in the neighbor villages. They enjoyed caroling a lot as in their region people don't go caroling at Christmas. On our turn we were happy to serve these people just a little so that they would be able to feel our and God's love.

At Christmas we organized a children's meeting, at which 450 children came with their parents, most of them coming from nonbelievers. We have great joy that two young people accepted the Lord during the Christmas evangelisms. Also in January I and a group of 9 Ukrainian brothers went on a trip to Israel. I thank God because it was my desire long ago to visit this country and He heard my prayer. I visited places where once walked and served Our Lord Jesus in Jerusalem, Nazareth, the Sea of Galilee, Jordan River and other places where I was deeply impressed. In one of these days we met the deputies of Knesset from the Israel parliament. They told us about the problems they face in their country and asked us to pray for peace in Israel.

We had many more ministries to the glory of the Lord. For everything I want to thank you for your support. May the Lord bless you!

Best regards, Postusak Grigory

## Valery Popov

We thank God as by His grace we work in the Lord's vineyard and we feel His almighty hand leading us day by day.

On Christmas days our youth and the youth of other churches of Novoselitsa district went ministering in the town centre. They were singing carols, preaching and handing out religious pamphlets or New Testaments to passersby.



Later, three days in a row we went caroling at people's houses in Novoselitsa. More than a hundred of houses have heard the Good News.

With some brothers from Oradea, Romania I had the opportunity to visit 10 poor families to whom we provided packages with food. Also we invited them to church and their children to Sunday School. We are glad that the following Sunday two people visited our church for the first time. We praise the Lord for this. Please, pray with us for the families we visited. There are many other poor families in need but we couldn't afford to help them all because of financial lack. Anyway we praise God for giving us the opportunity to help and some of such families.

We have a joy in our church. On January 10th a young girl, Diana, was baptized and is the first person who joined our church this year. Please, pray for her, because her parents are witnesses and aren't happy about their daughter's decision.

We are grateful for all blessings that our Lord sends us through you. May God bless you!

Best regards, Valery Popov

## Paskari Alexa

Dear brothers and sisters, I greet you with the peace of the Lord!

In January God helped me to work in His vineyard almost every day. We started the year with ten days of prayer in which we prayed for spiritual growth, for the enlargement of God's kingdom, for vision in the ministry for peace in our families and in our country and for His protection.

At church we had two big evangelisms. Our youth split into two teams and went caroling in the village and invited people to the evangelism that had to be the following day. I am glad that three people responded to the invitation and came to the evangelism.

At Christmas we had some guests from Belarus. They praised the Lord with wonderful songs and a wonderful message. Our youth participated actively at the service too. We pray for all people who heard the Gospel.

With the youth I visited some sick members of our church. The sick were happy to see us and to hear Christmas carols. Besides, our youth visited two churches: Marshentsa and Stalineshti. Both are in Novoselitsa district. There we praised the

Lod with songs and poems and encouraged the brothers and sisters there. They enjoyed our visit very much.

Thank you for supporting us in such difficult times for Ukraine. Thank you for your prayers too. May the Lord reward you with health! May the Lord bless you!

Best regards, your brother in Christ, Alex Paskar

### **Kioresko Grigory**

Sincere and warm greetings from Cernovtsy, Ukraine! We are grateful to our Lord for you as you support us in your prayers and financially. I always pray for you and one of the greatest reasons of thanking God for His kindness is you. May the Lord bless you and be with you!

I thank God for using me this month at the salvation of two people; one of whom is my elder brother. A week later he passed away. It was a big funeral where over 300 people heard the Gospel and my testimony about my brother's repentance. At the end I asked all present to repeat after me the prayer of repentance since they still can speak and not to wait until they won't be able to do it, as my brother did. Everybody started to cry and repeat after me the prayer of repentance. We praise God for that and wait the Lord to do His work now.

On the last Sunday of this month I was invited by a non-christian family that lives in Marshentsa to visit them. There were their children too. The wife was sick and after i had read the Bible she told me that she wants to accept the Lord.

At church I announced a 40 days fasting and prayer time. Each family during 40 days chooses a day in which they pray and fast. We want to pray for the salvation of our village and for our spiritual growth. Join with us in your prayers, please! On February 13th we are going to have an outreach in Rakitna's house of culture. Please, pray for this ministry. May the peace of the Lord be with you!

Love, kioresko Grigory

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