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Even though February is the shortest month (even in a leap year) February 2016 was full of actions and activities and developments that are amazing. It is exciting to see how the work continues to broaden. The news from various locations is encouraging. As the month's totals and events are reported I sat back in wonder. I hope the reports in this newsletter will communicate the amazing successes that the Lord has brought in a number of areas.

During February, a new congregation was established in Lviv, Ukraine. We learned that a congregation has been established in Lviv, Ukraine. Jonathan and Amber White were sent to Lviv on a Fulbright Grant. Jon is a professor of engineering at Harding University. Prior to going he had contacted me asking about a faithful Church in Lviv but I had to tell him there was none. When Jon and Amber arrived in Lviv they connected with a group that had graduated from Bear Valley Biblical Institute of Ukraine and who had just begun assembling. So now there is a congregation of God's People in Lviv! Read Jon's report in this newsletter (Jon and Amber are members of the Cloverdale church of Christ in Searcy and will be in Lviv until July 2016).

During February, there were FIVE born again! We learned that in Kramatorsk three more precious souls were saved and released from the captivity of Satan. Kramatorsk was one of the frontline battlegrounds when the Russian troops initiated their invasion and occupation of Ukraine. Those evil invaders were pushed back and life in Kramatorsk resumed a level of normalcy. One of the containers we shipped in February is going to Kramatorsk. Read brother Vlad's report in this newsletter. It was also in February that two more were immersed into the Lord in Ivano-Frankivsk (we included news of these in the last newsletter).

During February, construction was able to resume on the storage and meeting place for the Ivano-Frankivsk congregation. This construction is critical for a number of reasons but to me the most important is that it will provide a firm anchor in western Ukraine of a sound congregation from which the gospel can go forth into not only western Ukraine but into the surrounding nations of Poland, Belarus, Moldova, Slovakia, Romania, and Hungary! The first phase of this construction is almost completed. The contractor has agreed to complete the construction even though we do not have the funds. Thankfully funds are still being received and we are slowly able to send more money to pay for the construction.

GRATITUDE EXPRESSED!

Hello John,
For shipping the
container of
humanitarian aid, I
thank you and
churches of Christ
with all my heart! You
are the best! The

photo of the "loading

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Please let me contact you in order to keep informed over all that will be happening here after your container will arrive to Odessa.

> Yours sincerely, Igor

During February, we loaded FIVE cargo containers into Ukraine. These five containers shipped a total of 116,826 POUNDS and had a value of \$780,275.00! Making this total possible was the fact that a group from the Rivergate church of Christ (Madison, TN) travelled to Searcy and loaded two containers on 20 February!

During February, I taught the Wednesday night auditorium class at the College congregation. The topic was "Modern Idolatry: Making God in OUR Image." The class will conclude in March. The lesson materials will be published and made available to those interested. The class examines how modern man turns from the true God of the Bible to bow down to the "gods" that he thinks can help him the most. Modern American has become a pagan nation that no longer reverences the Almighty Jehovah God of the Bible. This study series examines this development and discusses how the blasphemous choice can be reversed.

Thank you for your interest, encouragement and support in these efforts! I hope that as you read this month's newsletter you will be as amazed as I have been at the power of the gospel and the devotion of your brothers and sisters so far away!

—John L. Kachelman, Jr.

THE CHURCH IS PLANTED IN LVIV, UKRAINE!

The Lviv church of Christ was recently started by three young couples who were displaced by the conflict in Donetsk. They had all studied at Bear Valley Bible Institute and after doing much research, they settled on Lviv. Lviv is close to Poland and feels very European; the people speak Ukrainian and the Church is now worshipping solely in Ukrainian. This is one of the first Church plants started by Ukrainian Christians and they are making excellent strides in establishing the Lord's Church here. The picture below is of the first Sunday the Church met in their own space at 3 Perova Street, Apt. 2 in Lviv. Dr. Jonathan White, an engineering professor from Harding, and his family, are working with the Church while he is on sabbatical from Harding to do a Fulbright grant.



THE EVIL CONFLICT FUELED BY RUSSIA CONTINUES...



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When speaking on the phone with our brothers and sisters in Christ who are in Gorlovka now I understand how tired they are from constant explosions, dangers, lawlessness and lack of possibility to gather to worship and serve God. Last Sunday, an elderly sister in Christ Zoya Grygoryeva left Gorlovka. She told about numerous incidents of young and middle-aged men being kidnapped, usually for the sake of getting ransom, and the same happened with girls and young women."

IVAN SKOLEBA REPORTS FROM IVANO-FRANKIVSK!

Greetings dear brothers and sisters!

I apologize for being tardy with my report. This month we had our hands full just as we did last month. We continue distributing humanitarian aid and are getting ready to receive a container full of hospital beds that was loaded in Grenada, Mississippi. I was able to help load these beds while I was in America. There are three hospitals that cannot wait to get those beds.

Doctors thank churches of Christ for help. We have been allowed to put Bibles and Christian literature with our church phone number by each bed. We recall that it used to be next to impossible trying to talk doctors into allowing us to put Bibles out in wards. But now the church of Christ is very well known and respected because of the abundant benevolent help you have given. We are very thankful to you for your help and prayers. Big thanks to brothers John Kachelman and Jerry Morgan for the hospital beds they found and loaded in the rain and sent here for our hospitals.

There is a great need for these hospital beds now – war is causing a lot of physical traumas and lot of soldiers that come back cannot walk, some lost their arms and legs and some are bedridden. Their families turn to us for hospital beds, diapers, standing frames and lifts. We do help as much as we can because our government fails in this respect. Churches and benevolent organization are ones that help most.

We went to Kryvy Rig, worshipped there and announced correspondence Bible classes. Pavel is having hard time working there all by himself and we need to ask the Lord to give him strength for this work. Such visits are beneficial to our Christian students.

During February we had two baptisms - Olexy and Julia were baptized! We rejoice with them and ask the Lord to keep them faithful. They are facing some family problems because Julia's mother accuses them of betraying their national faith and mistreats them. Satan is trying to plant the seed of doubt and discouragement in their minds through their family members. Please, be mindful of them in prayer.

We continue assembling on 20B Lepkogo Str.

Our Sunday worship is from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; Monday we have Bible School from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.; Wednesday – general Bible class from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.; Friday – we conduct a more in-depth Bible School from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Volodya is moving to Starry Lysets to be closer to people and to be more effective in his ministry. Anatoly helped him to find a house. Volodya is planning to have a garden and grow veggies.

We have also found a plot of land and would like to plant a garden to help sustain our brethren at church.

Many church members have had colds and sinus infections. My wife was down with the flu a month ago but she has not recovered fully yet. She still runs fever for some reason and doctors do not know why. Please, pray for Svetlana.

In Christian love, Ivan, Svetlana

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SVETA SKOLEBA SHARES NEWS OF THE CHURCH

Dear John! Dear brothers and sisters!

February is over and winter is over. We have already written that two souls made covenant with God by immersion in February. It is very valuable to us because there is more responsibility when a husband and wife come to God. We pray for them and do our best in order for Lyosha and Julia to use their talents for the sake of the Church as they grow in the Lord. Lyosha is in car repairs and he is willing to use this talent of his to help in Church. Their nine-year old daughter Nastya reads children's Bible with her Mom and always asks questions in classes and gives correct answers. Even though she and her parents came to know God just about six months ago she gives an impression of a smart and thinking girl.

Six-year old Svyatoslav, Inna's son, has adjusted very well within this year and his behavior has calmed down. He attends pre-school classes. He reads adult Bible together with his Mom. He is very attached to his Mom but little by little he learns to be around people and gets used to it.

Almost all members got sick this winter. There were two waves of the flu epidemic. Over 300 people succumbed to the virus in Ukraine. We hope that people will get stronger when spring comes.

After worship one Sunday church members went to the construction site where our church building is being built. We prayed together and asked God to allow us to complete this construction project so that our descendants could use that building to praise our Heavenly Father. It is a great responsibility as well as an important step for the church.

Our sister Marina has had a surgery. It was an abscessed appendicitis. Surgery went well. She is recovering now. Doctors of that department treat Christians favorably thanks to humanitarian aid that we provided them with. Different organizations as well as local population are very thankful for the aid that they have received within these years. Thank you, dear brothers and sisters. It is a great and hard work.

Despite a very complicated situation that this country is facing now, members of the congregation are very active in attending classes and worship services. We also have three guests from Africa that study at the Ivano-Frankivsk Medical University that also attend regularly, thanks to our sister Tatiana Zozulina who interprets all classes and sermons for our English speaking guests.

We conducted a campaign in Kryvy Rig. There was an ad placed at the local newspaper, invitations sent out and an assembly place rented at a hotel. Three brothers from our congregation went there to encourage Pavel.

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NEW BIBLE STUDY AVAILABLE!

"Why has knee-knocking awe has been replaced by a yawn of familiarity?" The selfish looks at the biblical teaching regarding God but he does not like what he sees. He then whittles upon the biblical concept until a more appealing "god" is found. Modern man seeks to find God in "his own way; by his own experience; with his own personal meaning."



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VOLODYA DIDUKH SENDS NEWS OF HIS WORK FOR THE LORD!

Greetings dear brothers and sisters in Christ. I am happy to send you greetings from the Ivano-Frankivsk Region on behalf of my family and the Ivano-Frankivsk church of Christ.

Another month has passed and we are closer to meeting our Creator. This month has been filled with different events and plans, thus I would like to share these news and events with you.

We had a joyful event in February as a young family of Olexy and Julia was baptized. We rejoiced and praised our Father for adding new souls to His Kingdom. This young family attends Bible School every Monday and Friday as well as midweek Bible classes and Sunday worship services. We try to encourage this family so that they would understand what strength we find in the fellowship and relationships we have at Church. We would like to ask you to pray for this family, for their spiritual growth and strength. Because of their obedience to the Lord they are finding struggles from family.

I visited an out-patient clinic in Starry Lysets this month. I gave them some gifts for their dental clinic that brother Ron had sent. I also brought some disposable masks and exam gloves for them because the flu epidemic was in full swing then. The staff of the clinic was very thankful for such help and we had a good visit. I plan to pay another visit to them this month to stay in contact with them. I hope that the Lord will bless these plans of mine.

This month, I met with the mayor of Starry Lysets, Anatoly Romanovich. We talked on different topics and I asked him to help me find lodging in Stary Lysets. I have made my mind to move to Starry Lysets to be more efficient in Gospel preaching. I am looking for a place to rent at this point and will move as soon as I find one. I pray and ask the Father to work everything out. Thus, as I am looking for a place to rent I pray to God asking Him for guidance in order that His will is done and not mine.

I also spent many hours in our warehouse repairing our truck that brother Jerry bought for our use in delivering benevolent items and had given to the Church. This gift will help us to minister to people and to deliver humanitarian aid. Truck is good and durable but needs repairs and we have been busy with them. We took it down to basic frame and began refurbishing it. We plan to finish work in March, Lord willing. We thank God for wisdom and strength that He gives us. Soon this truck will be used fully for the work in God's Kingdom. We thank you and God for helping us with our ministry.

My Dad has found a job this month. He lost his job long time ago due to his drinking problem but he has found a job this month and has started working. I pray that he will not go back to booze. I also ask God to help me talk to my Dad about Him.

We thank God for the unity that we have, for Christ, our Savior, and for His Church which He has added us to.

With love, your brother in Christ Volodya Didukh 3 Любовю ваш брат Володя Дідух

Update on the new babes in Christ

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VLADIMIR PAZIY REPORTS ON THE LORD'S WORK IN KRAMATORSK!

Church of Christ in Ukraine Report from Paziy's family, Winter 2016

Our greetings dear brothers and sisters in Christ from Kramatorsk Church of Christ.

We would like to share some news with you about brethren here, in Ukraine.

First of all we do appreciate your thoughts and prayers for our behalf. Please continue to pray for us and for our country, for people to believe in God and develop their spiritual skills so our country can live and prosper and be a better future for our children.

We had several activities and visits of our brothers from other places of Ukraine and USA.

Several brothers visited us from Kiev and Chernivtsi (West Ukraine). We had a seminar and the topic was "Do I have brothers and sisters in denominations?"

We had another church retreat in Svayatogorsk. About ninety Christians joined the event. Thank you Jeff for your lesson from the boat). George Spurlock and Jeff Abrams visited us in January and February. We had a seminar on "Does God really exist?" Thank you, Jeff Abrams, it was great to be a part of it. It is always encouraging to listen to your lessons.

George visited several schools and the University, taught church classes. We enjoyed the time and do appreciate his efforts.

We had three baptisms: Alexander, Roman (the military man, has been coming to worship occasionally, for several years. He is my classmate) and Oleg (he became a Christian after winter retreat in Svayatogorsk, Oksana's brother (one of the teacher's of ABC School). It was pretty good news to hear they wanted to be baptized.

We had a wedding in our congregation recently, Marina and Alexander (the one who had been baptized).

We continue to help refuges in Kramatorsk, distributing the help that we got from US through John Kachelman.

Konstantinovka Church is doing good, we are stable, not really growing in number but ABC school there is doing a great job, teaching children the Bible.

We continue our tradition to do summer camps. Since 2004 we have been having them in Kramatorsk and Svaytogorsk territory. It was camps primarily for kids. Since 2011 we started to have family camps and it worked really well. Since 2014 we had these summer activities in Dnepropetrovsk (200 miles from Kramatorsk) due to the situation in Donetsk region. Christian can bring their families and friends, have Bible classes, sport and crafts activities.

This summer we will have family camp the first week of July. It will take place in Dnepropetrovsk.

THE LORD'S CHURCH IN KRAMATORSK...

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Sunday morning children's class sends you greetings!



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All these years Jeff Abrams and his team have been coming and helping to organize the activities. This is the event we are looking for and appreciate to those who makes it possible.

I would like to introduce this camp to Eastern Meadow church of Christ and invite volunteers to our summer camp. This summer we will have some people from Tuscumbia and Mobil, Alabama. Please, join us and be a part of this great event, it can be families, young people, anybody who wants. You can also prepare some activities, lessons, games, crafts to share with us. Please contact Jeff Abrams about it. Would be great to see some members from your congregation here with us.

Thanks for your love and prayers. Have a good day. With love in Christ, Paziy's family

Andrew Zhuravlyov sends news of his work for the Lord!

Hello dear brothers, sisters and families.

February in Ukrainian means "mean, angry" and usually it suits its name with the most fierce frosts and snowfalls. However, February of 2016 is an exception to the rule. It was warm and somewhat rainy. It aided to evangelizing on the streets and to have a series of trips.

1. Ministry to Christians from Gorlovka.

The situation in the occupied region is still difficult. It got worse because due to the constant shooting the travelling from DNR to the territories of Ukraine was stopped completely. Another reason for this was an incident when a passenger bus exploded on the minefield close to the checking point in Donetsk region.

People who are on the territories under DNR's control and who need to get out urgently became hostages of the situation. Last week the passing was opened, but the whole process became more complicated due to the huge number of people who are willing to cross the borderline.

When speaking on the phone with our brothers and sisters in Christ who are in Gorlovka now I understand how tired they are from constant explosions, dangers, lawlessness and lack of opportunity to gather to worship and serve God. Last Sunday, an elderly sister in Christ Zoya Grygoryeva left Gorlovka. She told about numerous incidents of young and middle-aged men being kidnapped, usually for the sake of getting ransom, and the same happened with girls and young women.

One can read about such incident is the news. Zoya loves her hometown and would want to stay there, but the growth of the criminal situation and the lack of the laws protecting peaceful citizens forced her to leave and move to her relatives in a peaceful part of Ukraine.

2. Ministry in Kyiv region.

We thank God that our efforts in evangelizing are not in vain. Right now there are two young men who show great interest in God's Word and who come to the meetings of the Shevchenkivska church of Christ in Kyiv. One of them works at the plant, the other studies at the lyceum. I teach them via Skype and phone during the week. We all hope and pray that they obey the gospel and will be baptized and become part of our spiritual family.

Doing Good Unto All Men...



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I have also preached in Bila Tserkva. Since there are many Christian couples in the congregation, the relevant topics were the roles of the husband and wife in the family and raising the children. As I have expected these classes spiked a big interest in the Church.

On February 13 there was a seminar for the leaders of the churches of Christ on the topic "Sound interpretation of the Bible is the way to unity," and it took place in Kyiv at the Gostomelska church of Christ. There were more than 30 ministers from 11 congregations of the churches of Christ from different parts of Ukraine who attended this seminar. There were three speakers, and after that we spent much time discussing the topics that were addressed. We all hope that our joint meetings will bring forth cooperation and unity among many churches of Christ in Ukraine, and the basis for it will be the uncorrupted teaching of the Bible. It was the second seminar, the first one took place in Bila Tserkva and the third one is already planned to take place on April 16 in Dnepropetrovsk.

3. Bear Valley Bible institute.

At the beginning of the month I finished teaching Romans to the secondyear students and immediately started teaching 1-2 Kings to the first-year students. These were very intense yet encouraging and inspiring three weeks. Both groups of students expressed hardworking attitude, selfdiscipline and willingness to know more about the Scriptures.

On Wednesdays, classes for students end two hours earlier to dedicate that time to preaching the gospel. We still use the tent, and there are many interested people from the neighborhood who approach us. We think about the ways to spike their interest in coming to church services and events and in studying Scriptures with us.

Alexey Mitskutis and I made a trip to Dnipropetrovsk region with the aim of preaching God's word and recruiting new students for the BVBIU. We chose this route for several reasons: I have known the preacher from Nikopol and people who undergo rehabilitation there for a long time since I have taught them many Bible classes via Skype. Also there are many young and middleaged brothers in Nikopol congregation and rehab center who were recently baptized. Four days (February 19-22) we have been having conversations with many brothers and sisters in Christ both at the church services and at their homes. I have taught Bible classes and preached on Sunday at the churches of Christ in Nikopol and Ordzhonikidze in the rehabilitation center in Pokrovskiy for people with drug, alcohol, tobacco and game addictions. We have also told brothers about BVBIU, how the institute will help them grow in knowledge of the sound teaching and will give them a good practical training to service in the Body of Christ. Many of them got interested in this wonderful opportunity. One brother Sergey got so excited to become a part of the BV program that he made a decision to quit his job and move to Bila Tserkva to study there. Sergey has already proved himself to be a zealous willing to work for God Christian. I hope that his studies at BV will allow him to become a strong and knowing minister. I hope that other Christians from Nikopol, Ordzhonikidze and Pokrovskiy will follow his good example.

We are grateful to all brothers and sisters in Christ who read my reports for every prayer, for support, and for sincere care for us. We thank God for allowing all of us to be a part of this one great work for the Lord.

In ministry to Him, Andrew

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We continue to evangelize actively. Sometimes we evangelize on the streets of the town. We take out the tables and the tent and give away Bibles and spiritual literature. We try to talk to people and invite them to study the Bible. Also we plan to give an ad to the local newspaper and invite citizens of the town to come to the Bible studies. We'll see what method would be more effective.





NEWS FROM DENNIS SOPELNIK—THE BEAR VALLEY BIBLICAL INSTITUTE TRAINING PREACHERS!

Hello brothers, families and churches.

In my letter I want to share with you some news about the events in the lives of local churches and the institute and the events in Ukraine.

Still the military actions in the east of the country continue to take place, and at the moment they are very slowly progressing. In a result of the military clashes peaceful citizens suffer the most. The checking points that connect territories of Ukraine and those republics that are under insurgents control are sometimes closed. And many people can visit their relatives or solve issues with their documents or receive social security payments for weeks. Please pray for the solution of this conflict.

The institute functions well and steadily. In February first-year students had 1-2 Samuel, 1-2 Kings and 1-2 Chronicles. Second-year students had 1-2 Peter and Jude and Personal Evangelism. We thank Ukrainian teachers who sacrifice their time and strength to prepare future preachers. Right now Denton Landon teaches Isaiah and Michael Underwood teaches 1-2 Timothy and Titus at the institute. We thank them for their help and ministry.

There are two new students who joined the BV program in this month. Dmytro Levenets is a very faithful and responsible brother from Ternopil church of Christ. He is 24, and he is willing to be a minister in God's Kingdom. I have known him for many years, and we have had many conversations about him studying at Bear Valley. Many workers of the institute talked to him and only this year he made a decision to become part of our study program. Another brother is Sergey Tsutko from Nikopol church of Christ. Local preacher advised us to let Sergey join our program, considering him to be a gifted student and a good evangelist. Thus, we have 8 students in the program, four men in the first-year class and four men in the second-year.

We still are actively searching for students for the next school year. Brothers Alexey and Andrew visited Nikopol where they preached at the church and rehab center, did an advertisement for the institute and recruited students. As I have mentioned earlier, Sergey has joined our program as a result of this trip. Last month I visited Skvyra and Kyiv, and I had an opportunity to preach there and tell about the work of the institute. We might have students for the next school year from these towns. We have some good prospective students at the moment. Please pray for them and their decisions.

At the beginning of February we had a meeting of church of Christ ministers in Kyiv. Bear Valley Bible Institute organizes these meetings. There were about 40 representatives of the churches of Christ from all over Ukraine at this meeting. I taught a class on the topic "Sound Interpretation of the Bible: Basics of Hermeneutics." Brothers from Kyiv and Chernivtsi also had the floor. The purpose for these meetings is deeper study of the Bible and spreading the sound doctrine of course. To my surprise, these meetings received a wide support from many brothers and leaders of local congregations. They supported my idea of gathering from time to time and studying the Bible. The next meeting we plan to have in Dnipropetrorvsk. I

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hope it will be even greater event and we expect ministers from all churches of Ukraine to come.

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The local congregation is doing well. Unfortunately, there were no baptisms yet. However, the Church became more active. There are classes for Christians almost every day. The Bible school for kids functions well. They started having youth group meetings. It is very comfortable for me to cooperate with the local preacher Konstantin. I think we are an encouragement for this church as it is for us.

We send our greetings and gratitude for the support of the institute, students and teachers. Thank you for your prayers and personal letter that encourage me.

Your brother and coworker, Dennis Sopelnik

Hello John,

I thank you and your Team with all my heart! You are the best! The photo of "loading crew" members show they are the greatest! :) We would be really happy to continue our cooperation, please let us now as soon as you are ready to proceed.

I simply cannot find the words to express my feelings...God bless you all!

Please let me contact you in order to keep informed over all that will be happening here after your container will arrive to Odessa.

We are still lacking for equipment which is extremely necessary here in Ukraine. One of many existing situations: Here in Ukraine Smila is a city located on Dnieper Upland near Tyasmyn River. It is a district center of Cherkassy Region. Smila is the biggest transport center of the region with a population less than 100,000 citizens. The town stands at the intersection of highway routes of Kirovograd-Cherkassy-Kyiv.

This is, unfortunately, an extremely dangerous part of the route, and accidents occur fairly with very bad, serious injuries. So now please imagine – there is not a single tomograph in Smila, and ambulance has to rush to a nearest tomography apparatus which is located at 30 kilometers in Cherkassy city. Such trip and delay with an appropriate medical assistance sometimes becomes fatal for the victims.

I completely understand that your possibilities are not limitless and I cannot demand for impossible from you. But with compassion we have witnessed from churches of Christ we beg your attention.

But, I am going to send you the list of the materials requested from hospitals and clinics of Ukraine–please look and share what will be the most appropriate and possible to be arranged for next shipment.

I'll be waiting for your response to spread it with our local sponsors, who help us to pay the container delivery here in Ukraine.

Thank you very much in advance,

Sincerely yours, Igor