



# UKRAINE MISSIONS NEWS

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## **Addendum...April 2020 Ukraine Newsletter**

Below is more communication from Ivan that I overlooked when compiling reports and communication from April 2020.

### ***MORE...IVAN SKOLEBA'S NEWS FOR APRIL...***

Dear brothers and sisters! Thanks be to the Lord who has kept us safe until now.

April was a month filled with spiritual activities, despite the quarantine and inability to see one another face-to-face.

The online ministry that we started with the beginning of the lock down in our city, continues and with every assembly more and more relatives and friends of our members join us. These are people that were contacted before but they live far away and could not come to Church. Common worries have drawn people closer. Many now think of the most important thing – eternal life. The seed of the spirit that our family and church planted earlier both in Ivano-Frankivsk and other Regions are bringing forth fruit. Our online worship attendance this month was 68 and more.

Our Sunday worship services start at 11:00 a.m. as before; Wednesday class begins at 6:00 p.m. This year, in our Wednesday class we study the Bible from the very beginning – from the Book of Genesis. In April we studied 20 chapters of Exodus. Friday night at 6:00 we have prayer ministry – there is a 30-40-minute lesson on the prayer life of Bible characters and a prayer for all needs that the Church has, the members have and for all requests that come from people that contact us.

The circle of people that are open to Church is growing in the village of Zelena. Since there have been no virus confirmed in the village and we still can drive private cars, Svitlana and I went there for a visit. We took medicines, food, gloves and sanitizers, and seeds to plant (Elizabethtown church of Christ sent us seeds once again and we are blessed by this gift!). We also bought and took little chickens there. The long quarantine has made it very complicated for people to survive this year. We left everything we brought with Bogdan and Galina. They will give to others. We also visited Bogdan's brother, Olexiy, and his family. Olexiy and his wife ask many questions related to the Bible. We spent four hours talking with them. We also visited Galina's father Dmitry, who is willing to be baptized. Please, join in our prayer on behalf of Lily and Ivan. They are Bogdan and Galyna's daughter and son-in-law. Please, pray on behalf of Olexiy, Bogdan's brother, and Svitlana and their family.

Brethren, please, pray for the village of Mala Kamianka where Ruslan and Masha evangelize and give aid to the needy. Some seeds were also given out there. People thank and send greetings to American brothers and sisters.

SIGN OF SPRINGTIME IN  
THE VILLAGE!



Ruslan and I help our members – we buy and deliver food and medicines according to the needs.

Please, pray for the Atamanchuk family. Yaroslav is very weak. With changing weather, he cannot sleep at night and his breast pain flares up.

Luba's nephew, Mykola of 38, has been to the ATO (battleline with Russian supported terrorists), which causes him bad depression. His parents and his sister Nadia always join us online, asks the church to pray on Mykola's behalf.

Maria, a retired citizen of Ivano-Frankivsk, is in dire straits and asking for help. Please, pray for her as well.

We continue praying and helping Freya.

Please, pray on behalf of all members of our church and our family, for our labor and health.

We thank our American brethren for support, help and prayers. We appreciate your labor in Lord's vineyard. We pray for all who are part of the work that is being done for the sake of this country and this city. We pray for the Lord to reward you hundredfold for all the help that you offer us and to keep every brother and sister safe at this trying time.

Big thanks to you for the seeds that you sent us. People thank you for them and send you greetings.

Construction of the church building is in progress. At this point, inner rooms are being plastered. All of us are grateful to you for this great opportunity to build our own meeting place. We are praying that more funds will be available so we can finish all requirements necessary for occupancy to be given.

Our daughter Anna has an online youth ministry all over Ukraine teaching and evangelizing.

Svitlana calls and encourages members and all other contacts that we have, she finds out about their needs.

Maria's husband, Alexander, passed away on May 2. This family used to come to church from the village where they live. They are Volodya Kuriy's relatives. We keep this family in our prayers.

Heartfelt greetings to the Lord's church there.



In Christian  
love,  
Ivan and  
Svitlana.