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Greetings!

We send you greetings from our church and sincere gratitude for your help and support of God's work in Ukraine! Thanks to your sacrificial hearts, we were able to conduct many different events in summer and fall 2017. And it was through such activities that many unbelievers had the opportunity to hear the Word of God. We thank the Lord for allowing your and our hands work for His glory! May God bless your families, your churches and the land where you live!

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On July 2-7, we were able to hold a festival in the district of Boyarka, where our church is located. During this week, we conducted various outdoor activities for different age groups. For older people there were tents where they could consult with a doctor for free. For children, there were different games, a huge trampoline, interesting workshops and handicrafts. For youth, we had conversations and games on school grounds. During this time, thanks to God, we had plenty of opportunities to talk about Him and to establish relationships with people. On the last day, the Word of God was preached from the stage. It was through such an event that two boys, Yaryk and Serhiy joined our youth meetings. We hope for God's action in their hearts.



On August 6-11, God blessed us to carry a cycling trip. The youth of our church invited some of their unbelieving friends, so they could hear about God. It was a great holiday and an opportunity for everybody to build friendships. During that time we rode 325 km, and stopped in some villages to tell people about us and our trip. We slept in the

tents and in the evening had communication near the fire. Everyone was very pleased with this campaign and plan to go next year.

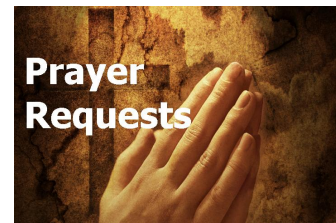


On November 12th, we had a Thanksgiving Day in our church. The meeting was attended by nearly 150 adults and about 60 children. Those were mostly the children who attend Sunday school and their parents and relatives who usually do not attend church services. At the meeting, we had a prayer of gratitude for the gifts God has given us! After the meeting, God gave the desire to repent to a man whose name is Vitalik and who is going through rehabilitation in our church. All glory to God!



PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Please, pray for people who have heard the Word of God, so that God will bring them to the church! Also, pray for Yaryk and Serhiy not to depend on the thoughts of others and want to come to youth meetings, church services and Bible study groups;
- Pray for the youth who have not yet received Christ. It is great for them to know Jesus from young age and not waste their time;
- Support us in prayer for parents of Sunday school children who are not believers yet. Pray that God works on their hearts and pray for the children, so that the truths they hear will influence their decision to follow God;
- Also pray for Vitalik to be faithful in his decision to follow Jesus forever.



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