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Greetings!

Our summer-fall season passed by quickly. Summer kept us busy, however it supposed to be a "light" season. In September, four older kids started their school year. Mark went to a pre-school. Zachary is learning quickly many new things every single day. We have been blessed with relatively good health. God took care of all our needs and we are very grateful for that. September was also our big birthday month with me (Slavic) turning 46, Olya turning 37, Sophia turning 16 and Anna turning 12. We are so grateful to God for having given us life and all we need. Thank you so much for keeping us in prayers, for all your kind words of encouragement and material support.

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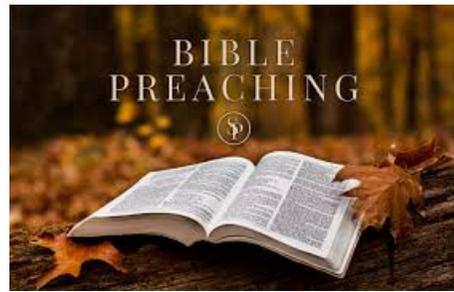
Me, Andrew and Anna have visited our dear friends from a Jewish Messianic congregation in Berlin and had a chance to both serve them and have a great fellowship. Those visits to our brothers and sisters are always special.



On the way back from Berlin, we have visited Baptist Church in Wroclaw, Poland. The church has about 200 members and it is one of the largest in the entire Poland.



God has given me a lot of great ministry opportunities: many messages at our home church as well as some other churches, performing two weddings, conducting several funerals, ordaining a pastor for one of the churches in the city, interpreting on several occasions, speaking to a big (at least 200 people) youth gathering etc. Each of those speaking opportunities gives a chance to talk both to saved and unsaved people.



We had an English school at our church led by a group of people from the US with almost 1000 primarily young people who had been coming every day during two weeks not only to improve their English, but to hear about Jesus.



What concerns general situation in the country, more than 60% of Ukrainians live in poverty. The overall population decreases by 300 000 every year, universities close some of their programs due to the lack of students. Frankly saying, we are worried about the future of our kids.



As you remember, some people tried to do us a lot of harm some time ago. You prayed for us then. We just found out that one of them felt down from a tree and broke his two feet. Obviously, God loves him and wants to soften his heart. We need God's wisdom and grace to serve this man and his family in this time of God's schooling.



This picture shows you how we usually get our drinking water. Because the water quality is bad in the city, about once in every three weeks we drive to a spring to get good water. Friends, if you do not need to travel to get good water, enjoy it and be grateful!



Our son, Andrew, went through a very difficult time due to his health issues. The situation is not over yet, but thankfully, the worst suspicions regarding his possible illness were not confirmed.



As for our daily family life, we are doing fine. Everyone is such a unique personality! Sophia likes chatting with friends and cooking, Andrew likes soccer, Anna enjoys cooking, Victoria loves to decorate, Mark likes to negotiate to gain something, and Zachary loves bugs and just studies the world around. Olya and I enjoy being part of a small Bible study group for couples. Not all members of the group are church members yet. We hope they will be one day.



Olya usually stays busy with the kids and home. She is a member of a prayer group and she is looking forward to the time when our youngest Zachary will get older so that she would be able to get back to some other things in life besides only taking care of kids.



PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Please, keep on praying for our son Andrew and his health issues;
- Pray for our ministry and church so that it would

grow and stay firm in faith;

- Please, pray for wisdom, understanding of God's will, discernment, strength and clarity to deliver His Word to people around us;
- Do not cease from asking God to show mercy on our land and stop the ongoing war.



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