



## General report 2019

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#### Greetings!

Thank you very much for your prayer and financial help. Your support enables us to develop our ministry. Psalm 68:5 says: «God in His holy dwelling is a Father of the fatherless and a defender of widows. ...» (NIV). Orphanage is not only a social problem but also a spiritual one. For thousands of years, believers have been following God's call to care for orphans. The best way is when the child is raised in a family. God created a man and a woman, blessing them to be united in a family. As at January, 1st, 2019 there were 7609387 children in Ukraine. 1% of them (70,492) are children deprived of parental care and orphans. There are 718 orphanages in Ukraine with 99917 children, of whom only 6191 are biological orphans and the rest have at least one parent. Let me tell you briefly, what we do to help orphans in Ukraine.



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The Christian Rehabilitation Center for Children "Children's Paths" began its work in October 2015, in the city of Velyki Mosty in Lviv region. The main purpose of the social rehabilitation center is the social protection of children who find themselves in difficult life circumstances, the upbringing of children based on Christian values. The Children's Center is as close as possible to the family form of education in which children see an example of a true, Christian life. For 4 years of work of our rehabilitation center for children, we have been taking care of 51, 23 of them were transferred into foster homes. Nowadays, 25 children are being brought up at the rehabilitation center for children.



During the summer holidays, "Children's Paths" Charity Foundation, together with the Church in Velyki Mosty, organized a children's camp in the

village of Dvirtsi. Dvirtsi is a village in Lviv region with no Evangelical church. Thanks to camp ministry, we are able to tell children about God and invite children with their parents to Sunday services, establish relationships with those parents who have a desire to hear more about the Word of God.



In addition to serving at the Children's Center, I also minister as a deacon in the Church of Velyki Mosty village. Our local church is small, with only 32 church members. With a small number of church members, our Sunday worship services are attended by around 70-80 people, together with children. Our church is actively involved in missionary and evangelistic ministries, preaching the Word of God using various ways and methods.



### PRAYER REQUESTS:

- I ask for your prayer support of the children we take care of;
- Ask God to bless the ministry of the local church;
- We also need your prayer support for the resources for the future functioning of the rehabilitation center for children;
- I would also appreciate your prayers for my family.



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