

Please PRAY for
The Maher Family



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MAY 2022 **UKRAINIAN CRISIS UPDATE** => www.facebook.com/richard.maher.710

Dear Praying Brothers and Sisters,

Over 14,000,000 people have been forced from their homes; of these 5,900,000 Refugees have fled the country! Videos/pictures show devastation and utter destruction/leveling of homes, towns and cities, BUT Oh the heartfelt despair and pain of their broken hearts. "...by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken." *Proverbs 15:13b* Praising God -He promised, "The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a **broken heart**; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit."

Psalms 34:18

Recap of God's Work throughout Paul Gray's and my travels to:
Romania, Bulgaria and Poland - Evangelizing Refugees!!!

Thank You! Your **Sacrificial Gifts and Prayers** resulted in a **fruitful Month showing God's perfect timing!**

- 1) The Lord even Blessed our trip with a \$250 cheaper Humanitarian fare which included three free bags each to carry extra supplies and tracts. The March 14th departure allowed for our Chick tracts to arrive that morning.
- 2) We agreed with a printer in Romania, who printed 45,000 thousand copies of our four most applicable Testimonial Tracts and 5,000 booklets called, "Why is God Silent?" - Which explains God's use of such situations to draw us to true faith in Christ for Salvation. (The Printer first said two weeks, but after the Lord changed his heart, he said 3-4 days!)
- 3) While they printed our tracts, we worked three days in Bucharest, Romania with a Church to witness to the Refugees at the train station and to also offer them a place to stay with meals until they get settled or transit on to other countries.
- 4) Missionary Friends in Bulgaria also printed our Testimonial tracts including a special QR Code and our Ukrainian Pastor's Phone #. For three days we helped visit Refugee centers distributing food and care packages with tracts and humanitarian aid.
- 5) Two Printers in Odessa actually started printing again in mid-March, but had a limited supply of paper. Missionary Mark Priem's printer found more paper to keep their presses running. AND the best part is the ONLY Print Orders they have are from Missionary Mark Priem and from us. In total they have printed 400,000 brochures, including 152,000 Chick Tracts and 25,000 booklets in the last 50 days. These were sent all over for distribution inside Ukraine. On our last day I contacted Missionary Joe West in Poland. He is now printing tracts and booklets for our Summer trip.
- 6) Our Original plan was to drive Brother Paul Gray's van, but we gave it to Brother Michael, (A Ukrainian Evangelist friend) who really needed a van for Delivering Aid into the war torn areas and then for Evacuating Refugees to safety. Our Pastor Slavick brought my car out so we could take our 70,000 tracts and Booklets to Poland and travel this summer.
- 7) Boxes of these tracts and booklets were sent out to Missionaries in Ireland, Croatia, Portugal, Moldova, Romania, Italy, Czech Republic and three places in Poland. The last service in Warsaw, Pastor Alexander (who was saved through street ministry) offered to contact all the Russian Speaking and Polish Churches which work with refugees to send them tracts. A box of tracts was also sent into Kharkiv inside the Christian Aid shipped by the Polish Church with which we worked.

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8) We Passed out Gospel tracts in Romania, Bulgaria and Poland. We helped coordinate and supply tracts to three street preachers who came from North Dakota to Evangelize w/tracts at the bus and train stations in both Krakow and Warsaw.

• Other Brothers from the USA are planning to come in June to distribute tracts in both Krakow and Warsaw, Poland.

9) Pray for the Many Christians who are now scattered abroad (Acts 8:4) across Europe that God use them to testify of His Great Salvation. One such Sister, Marina realized that back in Ukraine she would only be busy gardening, but now transplanted to a refugee complex in Romania, she has witnessed to 30 families and already one lady got saved!!!

10) Your Monetary Donations have been a **God Send to: 1) Print Gospel Literature** (above). **2) Purchase Christian Aid to Bless and Supply for the needs of many Ukrainian Refugees.** **3) We** continue sending money to faithful Pastors and Evangelists in Ukraine who: **I) Evacuate Refugees.** **II) 200+ Tons of Aid transported and distributed** to local Churches who then show God's Love in action while Evangelizing those souls suffering and seeking hope to deal with despair, terror and incomprehensible loss. **BLESSING:** Many Churches began actively Evangelizing and also Housing those displaced inside Ukraine. **In the town of Konotop they're actually starting a new Church!** Please PRAY for the Safety of Eugene, Michael, Slavick, Roma, and Others as they **Transport Aid in and Evacuate Refugees on their return trips:** (When we speak, they retell how hard it is to find Diesel Fuel. If it is found, it costs \$7.50 - \$9/gallon ~ \$250-\$300/van trip.)

11) Pray for the European Ukrainian/Russian Churches that they would Evangelize and for Many new Churches Needed!

12) Praise the Lord! **Oksana's Parents** are now in the USA staying with us, but will visit their relatives and friends this summer so our whole family can work with Refugees in Europe. {A large shopping mall just one mile from their house was destroyed in a recent missile attack.} ... Slavick's family (Oksana's brother) is Purchasing and Transporting Food and other Aid to Odessa and serving Refugees in Romania. Our son David is going there in June/July to help Slavick build a few necessary buildings, since he plans to hold three camps in July for Ukrainian Refugee Children. Elisabeth finished her first year of College. She'll visit refugee friends in Europe, work with us and be a leader at the July camps in Romania.

Great GAINS: Many brothers tell of Souls turning to Christ for salvation! But, WAR also causes **Great LOSS of lives: 20 yr-old Nazar** from our Church was recently **killed along with his uncle and ~ 250 other soldiers** during an Artillery attack. Shelling/bombing continues in Nikolaev and Odessa as Russia's forces would like to take all of Ukraine's Ports.

Tentative **Summer Plans for Europe:** PRAY {Wisdom and Open Doors} **1)** Working in Poland with New Church Plants.

2) Evangelizing with European Missionaries -Counseling and Presenting the Gospel to Refugees in Europe.

3) Ministering to Ukrainians in Refugee Camps in Bulgaria, Romania and Poland.

=>Thank you to each of you for your **faithful prayers, support and concern** for Oksana's relatives and especially for the millions of Ukrainian souls seeking peace in this chaos. PRAY they'll truly find it in Christ-"he is our Peace" *Ephesians 2:14.*

For the souls of Ukraine, Follow our Posts on ==> www.facebook.com/richard.maher.710

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[**Sending Money** allows us to: **(1) Supply money for Christians** to fuel vehicles: for evacuating people and delivering aid or to purchase food or medicine for those suffering in Ukraine. **(2) Print and/or purchase** Evangelistic literature for distribution to the many Refugees fleeing to European Countries.]