



# Please PRAY for the: **Maher Family**

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## **UKRAINIAN CRISIS**



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Richard 10/1 and Oksana 4/4  
Anniversary 7/28/196  
Elisabeth 12/20/00 & David 9/24/04

Dear Praying Pastors, Brothers & Sisters,

**January - February of 2023**

Our October/Nov. trip to both Ukraine & Poland was fruitful with opportunities to Witness to those displaced inside of Ukraine as well as to Refugees in Poland. Often we see ourselves sowing the Gospel seed in hearts that have never heard before, other times we are watering the Seed which some other Brother or Sister has already sown in someone's heart but Oh the times we are blessed to reap and see the Lord do for us what Boaz did for Ruth- "And let fall also *some* of the handfuls of purpose. . ." **Ruth 2:16** It is humbling and encouraging to see God "Give the increase" as a Soul accepts Christ! As we worked with 2 Ukrainian Churches in Northern Poland, we made visits with Refugees (Sowing the Seed). The Testimony of 64 year old Nadya (Hope in English) was proof this trip was under His direction as she called out for Forgiveness of sins through Christ's substitutionary death on the cross. As she wept in prayer, she testified, "No one ever explained the gospel to me so clearly and explained my need for God's forgiveness." 3 weeks later when we returned to that Church in Poland, she told Oksana, "If you had not come to see me, I would have never known that I was going to heaven!" The Lord also opened the door to do 2 Seminars on Evangelism and do some instructional street work with both of these Churches as they invited both Ukrainians & Polish souls to a large Evangelization. Pray that they will continue to reach out to Both Ukrainian and Polish souls!

**\*\*\***Ukraine's forces are in heavy heated battles on their Eastern Front with heavy casualties on both sides. Many of the larger cities are bombarded by missiles and drones (with bombs) a few times every week. Sometimes they send missiles into towns that have not been bombed before knowing that they are not as well protected by the Antimissile defense systems. \* PLEASE PRAY Because on the Anniversary of the Feb. 24th Invasion, many are predicting an even stronger invasion again possibly on 3 fronts. Please pray the Lord would use these Terrible events for **"the furtherance of the gospel"** **Phillipians 1:12-18** and the Salvation of Souls!

Praising the Lord for all of you who have sacrificed to supply for the great Spiritual & Physical needs.

- 1) Praise the Lord between our Ministry and Brother Mark Priem, we have been able to print and distribute over 1,600,000 tracts (both Testimonial and Chick tracts), booklets and Scripture portions in 10 months.
- 2) Your financial gifts have supplied many Brethren with fuel to transport Christian Aid & Evangelize as well as to Evacuate many Ukrainians from harms way. PRAY for Eugene, Michael, Slavick, Roma & Victor.
- 3) **A Ukrainian Army Chaplain requested us to print tracts for distributing specifically for the Soldiers.**

A Supporting Church funded the Printing of 50,000 Chick Tracts -"Holy Joe" & "Holy Night" in both Ukrainian & Russian.

Many Brethren could do even more, but need more fuel & our literature/printing fund is basically drained dry.

**If the Lord puts it on your heart to Help UKRAINE**

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**Write in the memo:** *Mahers-Help for Ukraine*

Pastor Slavick Needs Prayer Support as he carries the heavy load of keeping Lakeside Baptist encouraged & also evangelizing the Lost: 1) Finishing up their Yearly Calendar distribution of 8,500 Evangelistic Calendars & tracts in 12+ villages. 2) Distributing Christian Aid to Refugee & low-income families while presenting the Gospel.

Now Setting up our **2023 Furlough Calendar** to Update our Supporting Churches- **Please Call me (513) 969-4229!**

For the Souls of Ukraine,

Richard, Oksana, Elisabeth and David Maher - We thank each of you and your Churches for your faithful prayers, support and genuine concern for our family, Oksana's family and especially for the souls of Ukraine during this terribly devastating time.