



GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH
Church Planting in Chervona Sloboda
1st Quarter 2014

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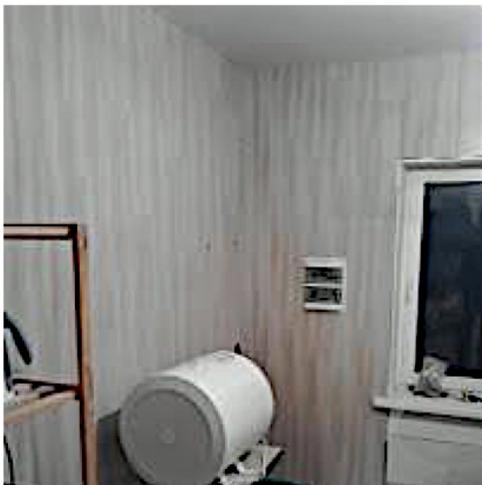


Earlier this year, the Lord blessed our church with donations of some money, and we started to repair the Sunday school of our church. We made a sidewalk to the school, and inside the school covered the walls and ceilings with drywall, installed drywall in the kitchen, and cut a doorway in the wall between the common room and the Sunday school. You do not have to go outside to get to the school; children can walk directly from the auditorium to the Sunday school classes. We're getting ready to lay floors and make steps to the second floor. On the second floor we want to equip two rooms for sleeping areas. When young people come to help run the summer camps, they need a place to stay. These rooms can be used as a hotel for overnight visiting guests.

Of course, we still have a lot of work, and need more finances to finish this project. Please pray about it, and if it will be possible for you to help, we will be glad for any aid.

Also, we are in need of a vehicle (minivan). We want to evangelize in the neighboring villages and offer a ride to everyone to the church to all who want to come. We used to preach in the neighboring villages, and then there were people who would like to attend the church. In these villages there are no churches, and no transportation for people to come to church on their own. We pray about it and ask you to pray about it.

I want to thank you, dear brothers and sisters, for your support and prayers. Thanks to your donations, we have our own church building. Thank you, and God bless you! Pray for us.



February & March



I spent six weeks on a trip to the United States. It was a blessed time. I met up with old friends and visited new churches where I had never been before. Of course, there were some difficulties due to weather conditions. Until this year, I had never seen so much snow in America.

Many experiences and prayers have been associated with the situation in my country Ukraine. It is difficult to remain calm while in another country and at the same time to hear disturbing news from home when your family is in the midst of revolutionary events, where blood is shed. I am very grateful to the brothers and sisters of America for the moral and spiritual support. In every church, many friends were interested in the events in Ukraine; they were concerned and sympathetic to us; they prayed for God to give peace to our people and send spiritual awakening. Thank you for your

participation in our experiences. Thanks to you, it was easier to be away from home. I am grateful to all pastors, all the churches, brothers and sisters for the warm reception and hospitality, attention, and your love. God bless you!

During my trip, the church in Chervona Sloboda actively worked. Brothers and sisters made several visits to the nursing home where our sister Mary lives. They were allowed to gather together all the elderly people and preach the Gospel to them. The nursing home administration gave permission to hold such meetings. It is a great blessing, because older people have the same need of salvation. Please pray for this ministry.

Recently we held an all-Ukraine youth conference in our brotherhood. The conference was devoted to missionary work. I had the opportunity to present a seminar at this conference and invited young people to study in our seminary. As a result, the seminary received two new students. Thank God for that!

Please pray for our ministry in the Sloboda and the seminary. Pray for Ukraine, the world and awakening of our people. God bless you!

Sincerely,
Vitaly Yurchenko