



UKRAINE MISSIONS NEWS

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February's Part Two of the monthly report!

In this second part of February's report we want to give you updates on the efforts of our brethren in Ukraine and in India. There has been an astonishing amount of energy in Haiti during February but there are many other locations that have been just as energetically working for the Lord.

The work in Ukraine continues to progress very well. The efforts in western Ukraine are very encouraging as brother Ivan Skoleba works with the Ivano-Frankivsk church of Christ. The congregation continues to grow and develop. The efforts of the brethren are making a dramatic impact upon the region and the Lord's Church is gaining respect and reputation. Ivan is conducting evening Bible classes that offer an in-depth study of the Bible and the members are eagerly attending and enthusiastically participating.

The Lord's Church in India continues to face persecution from the Hindus but the brethren are remaining loyal in their devotion to the Lord God Almighty. You can read Vijay's report and appreciate the challenges they face each day. We have just received pictures of a container that we shipped to Jadcherla, India. Our brother Immadi Deenadayal is working on that project and the March newsletter will feature his efforts.

This month has produced the most massive newsletter in our history. Even though we have condensed the reports and edited the emails we have only covered about one-third of the material that has come across our desk in February. With February being the shortest month of the year I cannot imagine how we could have squeezed any more activity into the month, but there was much more. I am reminded of the old sigh, "I am often weary in my labors but never weary of them."

—John L. Kachelman, Jr.

Ivan's encouraging words about the church in Ivano-Frankivsk, Ukraine

Dear John, dear Brother and Sisters!

We have had Presidential elections in Ukraine and as of today there is change of government taking place at all levels. And Ivano-Frankivsk is not an exception. The new government is in the process of revising personal files of those people who are considered heroes in the Western Ukraine and take some files to court. On that background there might be conflicts between East and West. Ukrainian people are waiting...We would like to ask you to pray so that church of Christ would not be persecuted since the new President was inaugurated and blessed by the Head of the Moscow Orthodox church. It has caused some unrest among religious people in the west part of our nation.

Sveta & Anya



Thanks to the distribution of the humanitarian aid in February we were able to contact more people and had more opportunities to speak about the love of the Lord. Just within the last two weeks of the month we had people from all over the Region come to see us. The whole month we delivered loaded aid and visited many an organization. Two orphanages received aid. The first one is in Ivano-Frankivsk, has 46 children from a few months to 14 years. Those are abandoned children. That orphanage received a great supply of clothes, chairs, strollers. The second orphanage is 60 kilometers away from Ivano-Frankivsk, in Pogatin Payon. It has 107 children and half of them are true orphans and the other half consists of children who have only one parent. They also received a large supply of clothes, buckets, washing detergents, chairs. The administration of that orphanage asked us to help them buy some medicines for children because there is another wave of flu in Ivano-Frankivsk. We bought fifty packages of expectorants and fifty packages of anti-fever meds. They need lice treatment as well but it costs too much here and we could not buy it.

In our distribution the City hospital #1 received jackets with medical emblems for ambulance and fire department. It was very encouraging to see in the local news it was reported that people giving first aid in those jackets.

In our work we have made certain that more than 100 people received clothes. They all come from Ivano-Frankivsk from needy families.

There was a retired man, named Semen. He is listed as a third category disability and is 93 years old. Semen told us that he had asked for help for almost twenty years in different social services and had received such help only from us. We provided him with a walker and potty-chair. His movement is restricted and he lives in a private house with an outhouse.

Andrew



I told him that the aid came from American brethren who are also members of the churches of Christ and he was very surprised that people from such a far-away country were willing to help him.

In another visit a young woman, named Oksana, told us that when she was pregnant with her second child she got HIV at a dentist's clinic and her second child was born with HIV. Her husband does not live with the family. He left and they never see him. She has two daughters to take care of all by herself. The daughters are ages 2 years and 1.5 months. They are very poor. We talked with her and she received clothes, stroller, and a family bucket.

We also travelled and gave linens, clothes and sportswear to the Yaremche Local Administration and sports school. The Starry Lisets' Administration received clothes and toys, children's linens and strollers for their kindergarten. Next week they plan to give those things out to people in the villages. They have invited members of the church of Church to participate in the distribution. There is an old folk's home in Ugorniki (the one you visited last spring) that also received clothes, buckets, and toys for children's medical room.

When these received the benevolent items shipped by the churches of Christ everybody expressed their deep thanks for help. I described to people how American brethren put a great amount of efforts into collecting aid for Ukraine, into putting together containers—it is a sincere, unselfish and hard work. I told them that I had seen it with my own eyes and had participated in a loading of a container. I showed them pictures taken in America and told about churches of Christ in America and Ukraine. Sveta and I believe that the seed of the true God's church that has been planted will sprout in good time.



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The Christians from the Ivano-Frankivsk congregation have also received clothes and sportswear. Everybody was very thankful and would say that they could never afford buying something like that here since such things are expensive.

I am sad to report that Vitaly's father passed away on February 28. From my previous reports you know that he had had his both legs amputated and had suffered great difficulty in getting medical care until we inserted ourselves as advocate for him. We pray about that family. We gave them 1,000 grievnas and \$300.00 for all of the funeral expenses. Please pray for this family.

We continue assembling for Sunday worship, and for Wednesday Bible classes. The daily Bible School goes on with our members following their work. The members here are very eager to learn more of Scripture and God's will. I provided the first two tests on the study of Genesis and all showed good results. Everybody is trying hard understanding the responsibility of Christianity.

Many people and organizations contacted and asked us for help this month. Hospitals are looking forward to receiving containers with medical equipment/supplies. We have to submit a lot of reports and it eats up a lot of time.

We have bought chairs and a blackboard for the Bible School. These items are now in our study room and are very helpful as now students have a place to sit. We are thankful to the American brothers and sisters who do not forget us and help us by sending financial help. We bow before God in thanksgiving for our American brethren's love and concern.

One family asked us for help. Their daughter has systemic lupus erythematosus. She is 14. We are not asking for financial help as they are willing to pay for everything. They need someone to find a hospital for them and put together an invitation from Chicago because there is a family there that is willing to let them stay there.

All the best to all of you! May God continue blessing your great work in His vineyard!

With love and thanks,

Ivan and Sveta

From Vlad in Kramatorsk, Ukraine

Vladimir and Oksana Pazyi continue their dedicated service to the Lord in Kramatorsk, Ukraine and the Lord's Church there is growing and maturing! Vlad and Oksana are a genuine joy to be with and time in their company is always most pleasant. Vlad has worked hard in distributing the benevolence shipments that have been shipped to Kramatorsk. Here is a recent report about one man that was helped with the shipments.

Like I mention in my last report, we still have some items (clothes, wheelchair, crutches...) in our storage and try using it in case like this man (Misha). He did not have anything in this life we gave him clothes and food.

Also the Deputy Chief of the local Tax Police invited us to talk about our reports to them. It was warm discussion, we explained to her our position and hope in future we will not talk about it anymore. We presented her Bibles for



This man is named Misha. He is 47 years old but he looks like he is 70. He asked our congregation to help him with warm clothes and food. Here is Misha in new warm pants and a jacket.

(Vlad Pazy)



her and for her children. I must tell that it was a very good opportunity for us to tell them about God. I would like to say thanks to John Kachelman and Tanya Zozylina, that they helped us in our difficult times with tax police.

NEWS OF THE LORD'S CHURCH AT WORK IN INDIA...

Dear Beloved Bro. John L Kachelman and Family Members, the Judsonia Church of Christ members and every saints in the country,

Hearty immense Greetings and salutes to you all in the Holy name of Christ. We hope and pray that this letter finds you all in good health and prosperity. Preachers, Poor widows, Orphans and Church members are praying for you. We are specially praying for Ukraine Missions work. We are also praying that great Work would be done in Ukraine. Specially we are praying for you and your church members for the development and prosperity.

Really we cannot forget your love, affection, cooperation in our life. Really your letters are encouraging us a lot. We are inviting you all in Judsonia congregation and all congregations to our India. We are wishing to take you an important share for the development of God's work in India. Though we are far away physically on seeing our letters, you are helping and cooperating in many aspects and so many occasions and so we are wishing you to invite you to India. All the Ibrahimpatnam congregation members are inviting you personal invitee.

It is to inform you that the C.S.I. Church conducted a meeting by inviting all Christian preachers and I gave preaching for 45minutes there and about 700 members gathered there. The preachers fellowship meeting on 16th Jan 2010 was held up in Hotel Ilapuram, Vijayawada city was done successfully. Many preachers more than our estimation have attended from different places and different districts. In the said preachers meeting, mostly the points and subject for the development of God's work in India, converting the Muslims and denominational persons to learn the truth and hear the gospel. The preachers came from different places and districts explained their sufferings, troubles and struggles facing with their family members. After knowing their afflictions, our hearts are hurt and moved with compassion. The saints in your country must interfere with their risk and troubles. The said preachers have been inviting us to conduct the prayer meetings in their villages. We are ready to go to them and conduct prayer meetings, but due to lack of traveling expenses, we are thinking and praying for it. We have distributed Hymns books, tracts, Holy Bibles to the preachers freely as gift. They enjoyed much and said thanks after they got the said books. We have preached and encouraged for the Unity, loving each other for the development of God's work in India. It is our need and responsibility to encourage the poor preachers who have no daily bread, clothing and other basic necessities facing troubles from day to day life. So in this connection please pray for their requirements.

There are many preachers working with me in India. The idolaters introduced the other gods in the Christian countries is so sorry and painful. In fact, our India country is Hindu country, means most of the people are Hindu Traditions. Now the Christ is rapidly being developing.

I also gave God's message on City Cable at Ibrahimpatnam and more than one lakh people listen they said message in TVs on 5th Feb 2010. There is

Pictures from our brethren in India



A baptizing in the river



Widows receiving clothes



Preachers receiving clothes



Gospel meeting

Festival conducted by RCM in Gunadala, Vijaywada for every year. We are planning and praying that 10,000+/- pamphlets will be distributed by 25 preachers in these festivals. Our church elders and we also participation in it, for preaching the truth. Please pray for it. There are poor unsupported preachers who are suffering a lot and please pray for them and also at least one time gift may be sent us for their benefit.

Brother I am very happy last Sunday on 21st Feb'10 one of the seventh day Adventist church member family converting Christian life. Myself and my church elder Bro. Venkateswara Rao give the 3 baptisms. This is a God grace in my life. Really thank you very much your great prayers and your cooperation my gospel work development purpose. 21st Feb 10 I am conducting a special prayer to you and your church members and every brothers and sisters in your country. Brother the poor widows and orphan childrens and my copreachers send the special greetings to you in your family members. 20th Feb'10 my last son N. Prasada Rao is Sunday school part time teacher bike accident, so please remember in your prayers.

I am conducting gospel meetings at my place in Ibrahimpattam and different places in my country. On 14th February, 2010 there are 217 members prayed for you at Ibrahimpattam Church which was conducted by the church. One Bro. N.Krupanandam who is the member of our Church is effected with Paralytic stroke and he was baptized in the year 1969. He has cooperated in many aspects at the time of natural calamite like Floods, Cyclones, Tsunami and Fire accident and he served a lot. Further at the time of attacking of Hindus against Christians, he has fought for Christians and he tried to establish peace and tranquility. One sister Venkatamma (widow) got baptism in the year 1971 through my father late Bro. M. Prasada Rao and she belongs to one family before the baptism and she slept in Christ 13th Feb 2010.

We have attended gospel meetings in Nellore district on 11th and 12th Feb 2010 and souls are added in the congregation. For the last three days I have been suffering with illness and I have to go to also to the Hospital for medical treatment. Please pray for it. On 17th Feb. 2010 my wife N. Rajeswari has conducted Ladies Bible Classes and 100 members attended the same please pray for the Church members, elders my medical treatment and do your best.

I am in receipt of your generous help of \$200 and thank you so much for the same. We the church elders purchased the rice and the same is distributed to the widows, and orphans with the help of you. The beneficiaries are conveying their thanks to you all. On behalf of your congregation, we have also distributed the clothes to the poor preachers and the said preachers are conveying their salutes and thanks to you all. Brother please send my special thanks to my brothers and sisters to the churches of Christ and especially send me my special thanks to every brothers and sister of Ukraine Missions.

There are some unsupported poor preachers are working and accompanying with me in God's service. In this connection we are encouraging them through your prayers and advices.

In the year 2010 in the month of September, there is Anniversary day will be celebrated in Ibrahimpattam church of Christ and in this aspect, on behalf of our church and congregation we are inviting you to attend the said Anniversary days. Really your messages are highly required to the persons and preachers who are going to attend the same from other places in Andhra



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(N. Vijayarao)

Pradesh. Many widows are involved in sick and they are required the medicines and injections also and so we request you to kindly cooperate and help them since they are deserved to share your love and affection. In the month of January 2010 the gospel meetings are done and I met about 119 preachers in various places working there. There are some church buildings are stopped without construction since there are no funds to complete the constructions of the same. Really through your encouragement I am able to render my service for developing the God's work in India, by bringing the perishing souls to the feet of Christ. My wife Rajeswari has been availing her time amongst the women conducting Bible classes. If there are sisters wishing to work in India, please send them to deliver their messages against the women folk in India.

We are expecting you to India to honour and congratulate you in India. Please pay your auspicious visit to India for preaching in different meetings in India. Please pray for the needs for gospel and do your best for the glory of God. Daily we are praying for you all. Expecting a communication from you please. All the church members, my family members, orphans are praying for you all and conveying their thanks to you all. Expecting a communication from you please. Please pray for our ministry.

Yours brother in Christ

N. Vijayarao

PS: Today I send my work report and pictures to your postal address. We have received in soon.

THE CONTAINER SHIPPED TO INDIA HAS ARRIVED!

From: is deenadayal

My dear loving brothers David & John,

Greetings in the merciful name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Sirs, trucks started from Mumbai around 10:00 pm. One truck goes to Vikarabad and two trucks go to Jadcherla. These are big trucks and with full load. Lots of goods. Thank you very much.

I am enclosing some pictures. I am planning to start distribution as early as possible.

Please pray for everything please. I write you again tomorrow.

Closing with love,
yours in His service

Deenadayal

