



# BIBLES FOR RUSSIA

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Dear Partner,

Thank you to all who prayed and gave financially to make this mission possible. We visited in orphanages and in a home for children who were taken from their parents who are on drugs and/or alcohol. We ministered to the children and gave them gifts.

We took diapers and bananas (a treat) to an orphanage for children from birth to four years old. We also took diapers to an orphanage for invalid boys and girls that could not walk or talk.

There were two luncheons given for poor children. One parent was allowed to come with their child. Joyce shared the Gospel with those present and I shared a message that God has a plan for their life. We gave each child a stuffed animal and other gifts. Please pray these children will give their hearts and lives to the Lord.

Our team ministered and gave bananas to the residents in a nursing home, those who could walk or were in wheel chairs as well others who were bedridden invalids. We visited 20 poor families and took them groceries we had bought. Sixteen of these families were very poor; many living in two rooms with 6 or 7 in the family. Some only had a small hot plate for cooking. In addition to the groceries, we gave each family a New Testament, prayed for their needs and gave the children a small gift each.

We visited a doctor that is 85 years old. His wife is currently in the hospital and they are raising their grandsons. Although he and his wife were once doctors, they are now very poor. The husband of another poor family had a stroke a year ago and can't talk or use one arm. The wife cannot talk and they have 3 children. It was a sad situation. A great grandmother we visited who is 73 years old is raising her great grandchildren (ages 2 and 4) in one room. The children's mother is on drugs.

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Although we encountered sad and heartbreaking situations, it was a good trip. We saw so many needs and ministered to as many as possible. We sometimes forget how very blessed we are but missions like this one help us remember. We sowed many seeds and we know God will send someone else to water them. Thank you so much for making it possible for me to go as your missionary. Thanks to all who gave and/or prayed to help with all the needs.

Please pray about going on the mission to Ukraine October 23 to November 5. You will be blessed as well as blessing others.

In Christ,

*Jean McCroskey*

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Mission completed, our team (Joyce, Natasha and Jean) is on the train for the beginning of our long journey back home; very tired but very blessed.