



BIBLES FOR RUSSIA

Christmas in Ukraine 2009 and 2010

They celebrate the Savior's birth December 25, January 7 and every day in between. It was a first for us and more was accomplished than we can relate in so short a time and space.

January 2010

Partner,

The prayers and financial assistance from faithful partners plus night and day efforts from the American team plus preparations by our team and those of the Ukrainian believers for weeks in advance plus God's provision and favor----and more was accomplished in 2 weeks than you might have thought possible.

Ministry in Jesus' name took us to:

- * the "House of Hope" Christian center for orphans, street children and kids from poverty stricken homes
- * homes of believers and non-believers
- * a senior citizens home
- * four state-run orphanages
- * Sunday church services
- * Christmas parties almost daily
- * Bible and gospel tract distribution
- * shoe stores to purchase new shoes or boots for those who had none
- * grocery stores, then to small apartments where mothers and children had little if anything to eat
- * special dinners for special groups such as children with Cerebral Palsy and their families

- * many one-on-one conversations with children, adults and the Christians who were our co-laborers
- * and even a television interview that was shown nationally at prime time on Christmas day! Jesus was lifted up, not the missionaries.

We have so much for which to be thankful to each and every partner in Heaven and on Earth. "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," 2009 was the best in 22 years of our ministries in the former Soviet Union---spiritually, financially, in the number of new churches planted and the number of orphans and street children to whom we ministered. To God be the glory.

Alfred McCroskey

Jean McCroskey

Mark McCroskey

Alfred, Jean & Mark McCroskey †

P.S. The following email letter was waiting for us upon our return from Ukraine:

"Hello Mark & Alfred & Jean!!! How are you? Thank you for coming to Ukraine for Christmas. Your time here was so important. Many people you helped have called and told us that God really exists. Tell all your friends hello. Galina"



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