



# BIBLES FOR RUSSIA

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Dear Partner,

We have recently returned from another successful mission. If you gave financially or prayed, you were a part of this mission as well.

March is spring in Sumy but when we arrived there was snow. It continued to snow some every day for the next 3 days. Wherever we traveled to minister, the roads were snowy and icy. God was faithful to protect us throughout the mission.

During our mission to Ukraine, we accomplished the following:

- \* Conducted 5 seminars for ladies (sometimes men also attended). Joyce Miles, the main speaker at the seminars, has a truly God-given gift of teaching.
- \* Ministered and took gifts to residents in 2 nursing homes.
- \* Ministered in 2 schools, teaching the students Christian ethics in 7 classes.
- \* Took gifts and ministered in 4 orphanages.
- \* Spoke in 3 churches.
- \* Witnessed 9 children come to know the Lord as their Savior.
- \* Experienced a wonderful time of fellowship with brothers and sisters in Christ.
- \* Received invitations to return everywhere we went.

Pastor Victor asked us to visit 2 prisoners who are Christians. They are in prison for life and have already served 15 years. The authorities told us only 3 people could visit each prisoner. The pastor asked that the 4 of us be allowed to visit both prisoners at the same time. The authorities said it wasn't possible but God did 2 miracles that day: He allowed us to visit both prisoners at the same time and allowed all four of us to visit. We ministered to both men, but God blessed us

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with their testimonies. They don't have a lot to eat so we brought them food for which they were very grateful. Please pray for Oleg and Alexei.

Our team had a pleasant surprise in Smila; Misha and Yuri, missionary and pastors from Central Russia, were there. I've known them both for almost 20 years. I learned they have received many fines due to the new laws in Russia. They can only minister in the church and cannot offer an opportunity for people to come to know the Lord. These brothers have done evangelism door-to-door for many years. They are praying about moving their families back to Ukraine to have religious freedom. Please pray that God will lead and guide them.

I was privileged to visit with long-time friend, Grigory Shvets. During our visit, he shared many stories of his life with me. He was a pastor for years and over many churches in his area. At 87 years old, he is no longer able to pastor and minister due to poor health. It was a joy to visit with him.

Thank you to all who gave and prayed to make this mission possible. Words don't seem adequate so I pray God will richly bless you for your faithfulness to Him and His kingdom.

In Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jean McCroskey". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

Jean McCroskey

P.S. Please pray about sending me as your missionary to Western Ukraine June 20-July 3. I thank you in advance for your prayers and financial support.