

Heart of Ukraine Ministries

www.HeartofUkraine.com



July 21, 2008

Dear Friend,

Recently you should have received our *Heart Beat Newsletter - June 2008* that shares about many of the awesome things God is doing through our ministry here in Vinnitsya, Ukraine, and a few things we've faced this past year. As missionaries often do, we move from great joy at what God is doing, to wrestling with obstacles that the evil one puts in our path, to what seems to be our biggest struggle - funding.

Although we know and have seen God work miraculously in providing for us, it is still extremely stressful to look at \$58 in donations for a month and wonder "What are we going to do?" (unknown to us at the time, the next month's donations were \$1,000, but we still had to live and operate until then). Add to this the increasing prices here, having to move to a new apartment, renewing our Visas, and the dropping exchange rate between the US dollar and the Ukraine greevna, things can be difficult. Obviously we expected this fluctuation in our new ministry, but it makes it difficult to plan for our ministries.

If every person who reads this made a monthly donation of just **\$2.60 a month**, every need we have right now for ministry would be met ! That's untold meals fed, children's crafts, rehabilitation support, and much more.

Two of our ministries have drastically affected the life of a young woman here; Olya (*not her real name*). She has been attending our Spiritual Gifts Bible Class faithfully for months, learning where God has equipped her to serve. With great excitement, Olya, like the other students, began to search for opportunities to serve God using her gifting. She heard about our Children's Ministry and asked to join us. Olya has been a great addition to the team and we quickly realized that her gifting in leadership was beginning to bloom. Looking always to replace ourselves in ministry, we with the team's support, have begun to train her in leadership and turn over ministry responsibilities to her. Oh, did we mention that Olya is only 18 years old?

If every person donated **\$5 a month**, it would allow us to rent an apartment with a 2d room (living room) and continue to provide Bible Classes, different training, English Classes with Bible studies afterwards, and to hold our Sunday Evening Fellowships that reach out specifically to the unsaved and seeking. (*Current apartment is rented at 1/2 price to us by a local Pastor, but who now needs the apartment for family*).

For the past three months, Ivon (*not his real name*), has been on the rehabilitation program we helped purchase and establish. After being told to 'plant' a gun and drugs on a person who the police wanted to arrest, Ivon agonized over the morality of it. He ended up fleeing his police detective job and going to Russia. There Ivon began drinking heavily, which resulted in a work accident where a huge pipe dropped on him breaking both is feet. Recovering from this horrific accident, God touched Ivon's heart and led him back to Ukraine and to the rehabilitation center. There, Ivon has found the joy of Christ and his life has been changed forever. In talking to Ivon, it is obvious that God has plans for this 24 year old in the field of rehabilitation. He is a remarkable young man and it is exciting to see his changed life and how he already is impacting others for Christ.

If everyone donated **\$10 a month**, in six months we'd be able to purchase a second home for rehabilitation and get it up and running!

Please consider prayerfully how you might invest in changing lives with us ! Nothing is too small, as God blesses and multiplies the "widow's mite."

Love in Christ,

Rev Mark & Laura Bohanan

I plan to support the life changing work of Heart of Ukraine Ministries by:

Pledging to faithfully donate: ___ \$2.60 a month ___ \$5.00 a month ___ \$10.00 a month ___ \$_____ a month

___ To Make a \$_____ Love Offering

___ In addition to my donation, I commit to pray for the finances of this ministry and the work that is being done.

Return this stub to:

Contact@HeartofUkraine.com - or - Heart of Ukraine Ministries, c/o Bohanan's, PO Box 60126, Sacramento, CA 95860

REMINDER: Checks should be made payable to: **'Mark Bohanan or Heart of Ukraine Ministries'** as we are still pending non-profit status.