

Christ For Ukraine

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Greetings from Donetsk!

We are fortunate to often have visitors from the mother land and Lynn is always ready to whip up a hot meal at a moment's notice!



This month we had **Teresa Fillmon**, director of His Kids Too, along with **Walter Steely and Kevin Mack** from Murray, Ky. Along with their Ukrainian coordinator, **Ivan Litvanov**,

they were quite busy with the distribution of thousands of dollars of humanitarian assistance to children's homes and hospitals.

In addition we had the pleasure of having **Ken Smith** preach for us several times at the Proletarsky congregation. Ken's son, **Don**, is an instructor of paramedics back home in



Ken Smith and his interpreter, Inna

Anchorage, Alaska and he met with health-care professionals from several facilities during their visit here. We were happy to have Ken's interpreter, **Inna**, from Kharkov visiting with us as well.

Right: Lynn with new friend!



Left: Ray, with a buddy from a local children's home

Prayer List:

- **Tkachenko family** – in the loss of Vladimir (see article)
- **Mitrofanov** – in the loss of Sasha's mother and for Galina's continued recovery
- **Dominikia and daughter Lena** – struggling to come back after a stroke
- **Youth** – for strength and wisdom in living a Christian life
- **Children's Home** – for progress in navigating bureaucracy and securing necessary approvals

Vladimir Tkachenko

(1937-2006)



Vladimir, his wife Alexandria, and granddaughter

This week we unexpectedly lost a faithful brother from the Proletarsky congregation. **Vladimir Tkachenko** finished the night shift Monday, Oct. 30, and was riding home with his brother-in-law when

he suffered a massive heart attack. Although he was a modest, almost shy man, he was always ready to pray and help out in whatever ways he could. Before we were blessed with transportation for our older members, Vladimir would walk to church services, often stopping to rest and catch his breath.

His wife, **Alexandria Ivanovna**, and daughter, **Vita** and her family (**Anatole, Pasha**) have been strong Christian examples of faith and hope throughout this difficult time.



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What's Up With Vitya?



Last month we told you about **Vitya**, who has gone to

live in a private children's home. Although he had been declared mentally competent to study in a 'normal' school, the local school demanded that he

pass another panel of experts. Vitya successfully passed, he seemed almost offended that the questions were so easy, and finally had his first day of second grade on Monday, November 6. We are grateful to the kind folks at the Good Shepherd Children's Center in Makeevka for their care of Vitya!

All I want for Christmas...

The **Germantown (TN) congregation** has sent a big

Christmas package to benefit lots of folks in Ukraine. A 40-foot Christmas package. Germantown collected medical equipment and supplies to be sent to Ukraine through the U.S. State Dept.

Bro. John Kachelman has been instrumental in sending this and many other containers of humanitarian items to Ukraine and other countries from members of the Lord's church.

This medical equipment will benefit many people in our community and will bring glory to God and the church. Many thanks to the **Germantown congregation** and **Ron Roberson**, who coordinated the collection and packing of the container!

Woodbury church of Christ

This month's sponsor spotlight is on the **Woodbury church of Christ** in Woodbury, Minnesota, a suburb of St. Paul. Woodbury is the largest church in the



state and averages 270 on a Sunday morning. Woodbury supports missions in Ukraine, Albania, Belgium, France and Japan. Our primary contacts at Woodbury are **Dave and Fami Doederlein**, who have visited us in recent years and are also very active with HisKidsToo! You can learn more about the Woodbury congregation on the world-wide web at www.woodburychurch.org.

Food for the Needy

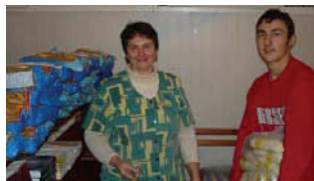
Our monthly distribution of food packages for elderly people in our community is in need of additional funding. We often hear stories from those whose pension is \$70-\$75. Utilities cost approximately \$20; and many spend \$20 or more a month on medications. This leaves just \$30-\$35 a month to spend on food, household needs and everything else.

Each package costs \$5-\$6 and a typical package contains the following items: sugar, rice, macaroni, oatmeal, milk, canned fish, condensed milk, toilet paper, tea, cookies and bullion cubes.

Please consider making a donation to help continue this worthwhile program.



Monthly food packet



Assembling the food packets for the needy

HisKidsToo

--to the **Woodbury congregation** in Woodbury, MN (this month's featured congregation) for their generous response in helping the Mitrofanov family with Galina's surgery.

--to **Clyde and Sue Bowen** who made a special contribution to help with Vitya's needs in the children's home and to assist with other benevolent needs



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In the box where it asks 'Who do you GoodSearch for?', enter **His Kids Too** and click the 'verify' button. A window will appear, again asking 'Who do you GoodSearch for?'. Scroll down and click on His Kids Too (Tallahassee, FL) and remember to use GoodSearch for all your internet searches.