



Bear Valley Bible Institute - Ukraine (BVBIU)

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To all of our dear brethren,

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It is with sincere joy that I write to you all. Sometimes more than others, we realize how much the Lord has blessed us, especially in regard to our faith which exists in our Lord Jesus Christ. Due to so many things happening in our world today, we see Satan trying to be dominant, and yet, the Lord shows that He is clearly in control, having *"...set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed, and the kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever"* (Dan. 2:44).

Although CV-19 has been causing disruptions in many places, the Gospel does not take a break and the Lord's Church continues to grow. Ukraine placed some restrictions from January 8-24, and yet, Christians were able to meet in various locations. BVBIU continued to meet, partially on location (see above pictures) and somewhat online (below). As a result, the students were able to gain valuable learning from several of the Ukrainian instructors. I am thankful to also to continue to meet with them online on Wednesday mornings.

Besides being able to meet for classes, we are so grateful that a new student joined BVBIU in January. Dennis Siritenko, from the city of Kharkov, is now an

official student and that brings our number to five at this time (see his picture above on far right, with beard). Normally we have at least double the amount of students, but as you know, things are so very different during these times. Still, the Lord's work marches on and we welcome Dennis.

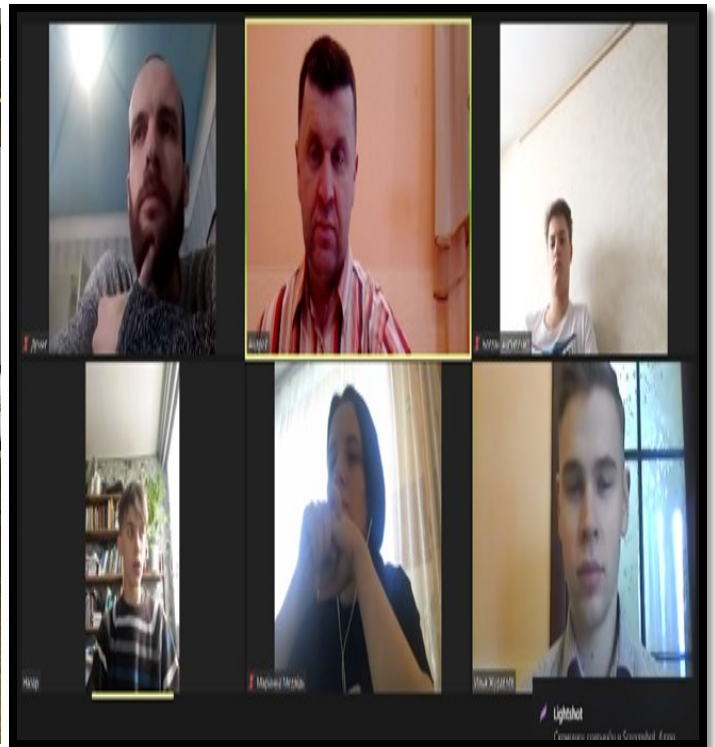
In addition to this good news, two events also occurred recently among the students and instructors at BVBIU, as well as many other Christians throughout Ukraine. In two separate locations, retreats/seminars were held, which were very encouraging to all. The wonderful blessing about these was that one occurred in the western part of Ukraine (Lviv) and the other was held in the eastern part (Svyatogorsk). The pictures below show how well attended both were. Notice the big smiles on the faces of these wonderful brethren. As we can see, even during these odd and difficult times, the Lord is allowing His kingdom to move forward in Ukraine!

We are grateful that BVBIU is able to have a large part in teaching students to help a lost and dying world, but also in being active in encouraging Christians from many places. We thank you all for continuing to make it happen. May God bless you all!

Love in Christ, Terry



- Winter Retreat in Lviv (western Ukraine) - Many BVBIU students and teachers in attendance



- BVBIU students online with Andrei Zhuralov.



- Jeff Abrams' camp in Svyatgorsk (east Ukraine) - Several BVBIU students (current and former) / teachers in attendance