



**Dear brothers and sisters,**

I am happy to greet you. There was a lot done in the past couple of months of church work and ministry to God. Despite constant air raid alarms warning about missiles or drone attacks, church continues to come together every day for various events and for studying God's word. We're trying to make sure that the whole church grows spiritually and becomes strengthened in the truth.

### **Lviv Bible School**

I have been actively developing the ministry of the "Bible school" on the basis of the church - this is at least 6 hours of Bible study per week, and corresponding 24 hours of studying Bible and history in more depth per month. This program has been active for a year already - it proved to be extremely relevant in the conditions of war time since many Christians from various church of Christ congregations have moved to Lviv as refugees. This way we can give them the level of knowledge of a Bible institute from right here. If they decide to stay in Lviv after the war, we will have a highly biblically educated group of Christians, and if they decide to return to their hometowns after the war, they will bring the good news there and will stand firmly in the truth in which they were strengthened here in our Lviv Bible School. I'm also trying now to engage other teachers, good brothers strong in faith, and wonderful Bible scholars. Therefore, if you have a desire to teach a Bible course, please contact me.

### **Work with children**

We continue actively working with our next generation. We have two programs in the church. There is one on Saturday that is aimed at evangelizing and outreach to children and their parents among the non-believers and the refugees. There is a Sunday Bible school for children that we have divided into two groups - one group with older kids, and one with younger children. Almost all of our sisters in Christ are actively participating in this ministry, but in the ministry to the older kids, we started engaging ourselves (the ministers of the church). On Sunday services, we now seat the children on the first rows exclusively so that they would not be distracted, and would learn how their fathers and other men lead worship to God and thus learning from the example and growing.

### **Ladies classes**

We have also a very active ladies group. Our sisters organize various formats of regular events and meetings in order to pray, worship, and encourage one another in faith. My wife, Anna, takes a very active part in this ministry helping other sisters with organization, encouraging them to come and to invite non-Christians to these meetings.

### **Youth group meetings**

Bogdan Chigvintsev is working on developing youth group, and he approaches this ministry in a very creative and responsible way. Every Saturday, young people get together to study the Bible on various topics, and to share their experiences where we can encourage them in faith, urging them to mature in Christ.

### **Home groups and Bible lessons**

During the week we have a Bible lesson and a home group meeting- both of these events take place on Wednesday.

### **Sunday Worship**

The church regularly meets together for worship on Sunday. About 50 Christians in Lviv come to praise God, and we are doing everything possible to evangelize and bring non-Christians. There are two to four non-Christians regularly present on Sunday services, and each time we call them to repentance and baptism.

### **Picnics and unofficial meetings**

Sometimes we also have meetings of Christians on picnics and other occasions in the downtown area or out in the country, where we spend time in wonderful Christian fellowship.

### **Camps and lectureships**

Because of the war, the city of Lviv and Lviv church of Christ became a haven for the camps and meetings of Christians from all over Ukraine as well as for those who moved to Europe.

It is the second year in a row that we participate as a receiving congregation and help organizers in the huge camp called Amerikraïne. This year, it took place at the end of June, and there were 250 Christians.

Dear brothers and sisters, the church in Ukraine remains strong in faith. We ask you to pray for the end of the war in Ukraine, and for the safety of Christians in Ukraine. Pray for all the brothers and sisters that are now in the Ukrainian army and are protecting their country. I am grateful for your support both in prayer and financial. If you have a desire to contact me and learn more about the ministry in Lviv and in Ukraine, or if you want to help in these ministries, please write to me or call me.

Below, you can see the pictures of ministries described herein.

God bless you abundantly!  
Your brother and coworker in Christ, Stas

