



Dear brothers and sisters,

The beginning of the year was as active for the church as the whole of 2023. We continue gathering almost every day for studying the Word, prayer, and singing, for encouragement and supporting one another. We continue evangelizing, and new people who hear the gospel for the first time are coming to church regularly.

Lviv Bible school

We continue developing educational program, which is aimed at providing churches of Christ in Ukraine not only with qualified preachers and ministers, but also with Christians well educated in the Bible and biblical history, who would be ready to serve in the church and help local congregations. Even now, we have up to 25 students joining in zoom or coming to class for different courses in our educational program. I was able to employ in teaching at Lviv Bible school qualified Church of Christ teachers/preachers, both from Ukraine and from the USA. If you have a desire to teach a Bible course, please contact me.

Work with children

We continue actively working with our growing next generation. We have two programs at church. The one on Saturday is aiming at evangelizing and attracting children and parents from the number of unbelievers and refugees. We also have Sunday Bible school for children where we have two classes for younger and older kids. Almost all ladies from the church are active in this ministry, but even male ministers started participating in teaching the older children.

Ladies' Bible classes

My wife and other ladies continue having very active ladies' group. They come together regularly and meet in various formats for prayer, praise, and encouraging of one another in the faith.

Youth group meetings

Every Saturday, young people gather to study the Bible according to different topics and to share their experiences where we can encourage them in their faith, and urge them to grow in Christ.

Humanitarian aid ministry

Every Sunday we are inviting about 15-20 completely new people to worship. After having preached for them, we give out bags with groceries and first need items. These people are refugees, many of them lost everything because of the war. We are glad that we can feed

them and tell them the gospel. Some of them start to attend church during the week and come to Sunday worship service regularly. We continue showing them the way to salvation and hoping that they will be baptized and become part of God's family. I am glad that we have two families in our congregation who are working in this ministry while being refugees themselves who lost everything near Bahmut. Yet they haven't lost faith, hope and love to their neighbors whom they are serving so fervently.

Sunday worship service

On Sunday, the church meets together regularly for worship. Right now, there are about 70 people coming to the worship service (that is both Christians and guests). On one Sunday in January the church was overfilled; the total amount was 100 people and that was one of the biggest church of Christ gatherings in Ukraine. The unbelievers who attend Sunday worship services usually come as a result of different evangelizing campaigns led by our congregation. We're extremely happy that the congregation keeps growing, and we put our best efforts into keeping this growth steady and glorifying God in everything.

Winter retreat

At the end of January we had our annual winter retreat where we hosted more than 170 Christians. Despite the continuous terrible war in Ukraine and dangerous conditions of traveling around the country, the Christian family from all over Ukraine longs to come and share common singing, prayers, edification, and fellowship.

Dear brothers and sisters, despite the war, the church in Ukraine stays strong in faith. We ask you to pray for this war in Ukraine to stop and for the security of Christians in Ukraine. Pray for all the brethren and sisters who are serving in the army right now, protecting their land. I am grateful for your support both in prayers and in finances.

If you want to contact me and learn more about ministries in Lviv and Ukraine or if you want to help in these ministries, please write or call me. Below, you can see the pictures of the ministries that are described here.

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