



GOSPEL OF JOHN MISSION, INC.

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“Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage with great patience and careful instruction.” 2 Timothy 4:2

Dear Friends

In February I was able to visit Moldova and visit with all of our workers. There continues to be a lot of uncertainty about the war in Ukraine and there is additional stress on everyone because they don't know what the future holds. While I was there reports and fears of a skirmish with Russia over Transnistria were escalating. That appears to have settled down but there is much to pray about. Despite all of the uncertainty, I am able to report that God is continuing to use our team and open more doors for ministry. In this letter, I want to share about several ways that God is using Stas and Aia to minister in Moldova. Despite everything that is swirling around them they are focused on serving God, preaching the word, and raising up disciples in every season. The first way I want to share about is through summer camps pictured below.



Concerning the summer camps, Stas shared that every summer our ministry has been partnering to host a VBS program for the children and teenagers of the town where they live. Last summer they had about 80 participants. It was a time of fellowship, Bible lessons, games and just fun. Parents and friends were invited to the final evening meeting where they could hear the story of salvation, see their children singing Christian songs and worship the Lord with their leaders. They are looking forward to doing this again this summer.

Another ministry outreach came out of their house church evaluating and praying about how they could minister to young people for the whole year. During the last year God answered their prayers and provided a better location for meetings that they could have imagined. The owner of a local restaurant with a very nice banquet hall, sound and video equipment offered her place for youth meetings. Because God has blessed them with a good name in the community, she said that giving them the space would be her ministry for the community and she didn't want to take any rental payments. With the use of this space they have been able to start and grow a youth program called, Awake. Two of the house church members, Artem and Stas and Aia's son David, are leading this outreach and discipleship program.



David and Artem



Awake group

Stas and Aia have also been able to serve Ukrainian refugees over the last year. With gifts from our supporters they have been able to provide essential services and resources to the Ukrainian refugees and families who are struggling, as pictured below. They are truly grateful for your commitment to our ministry and your willingness to partner with us in this important work.



In all of these ministries they say their focus is on making disciples of Jesus. Sharing the gospel and making disciples is the core of everything they seek to do and their vision is to see their disciples taking what they have learned and passing it along to others. Thank you for continuing to support these ministries.

Sincerely yours,

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