

OUR WORK IN UKRAINE



Hi Family and Friends:

How are you and your family doing? Hope your summer is going well.

We are doing well and staying really busy with ministry and life in Ukraine. April and May were tough for Ternopil. In April, a building very close to the YWAM here in Ternopil was hit by a drone, and in May several drones hit the city in different places. At one point, 30-40 drones were coming toward Ternopil, but only 8 got through,

resulting in injuries. Praise God that there were no deaths. We thank God for keeping us safe here in Ternopil.

From Rosen: In May, I helped staff our online school (called Children At Risk). I led a small group, which involved teaching and grading homework for my adult students. The school year consists of 3 teaching modules. We completed module 1 during April 11-29 and module 2 during June 8-25. Module 3 will begin at the end of October. Each module covers different topics, but the overall focus is on working with children at risk, including orphans, street children, and other children who have been physically and emotionally abused.

I was busy this spring preparing for a visit by a team of 18 people who came to Ukraine from different states in the U.S. and from Denmark. The American team consisted of a construction team and a psychiatric mental health team. During the first week, the psychiatric team held seminars at a Christian organization that works with widows who lost their husbands in the war, and women, children, and men with trauma. During the second week, we went to hospitals in Ternopil and throughout the Ternopil Region, visiting wounded soldiers, talking with them, listening, and praying with them. We heard many stories from these wounded soldiers, and they are hard to share and so sad.

The construction team worked at a school in a village 45 minutes from Ternopil. They installed flooring in five classrooms and painted them. They also cleared brush and cleaned two old houses that will be remodeled for use by foster families. They worked hard, accomplished a great deal, and were amazing, serving this nation and helping our people. At the end of the first week, the team and we attended the students' graduation. The





school director was very grateful that our team did a great job painting and installing floors in their classrooms. Their work will touch future generations at this school.

I am also building the YWAM Ternopil website and am involved with YWAM Europe, handling administrative work and revamping their website.

From Oksana:

Just a little update from me. My main ministry now is raising Emma, and I'm enjoying it fully. As she gets bigger, I am getting more involved again in YWAM base life. I help in the hospitality department and sometimes with cooking on the base. But since we live in our own house, we do a lot of hospitality at home. We are intentional about inviting people over and hosting events at our place. We truly hope that our house, which we dreamed about for so long, is a big blessing not only for us but also for many other people.

Emma is doing well. She is growing so fast (as all kids do). Since she started speaking, we're seeing a different dimension; she is not a baby anymore. She loves books. She also prayed today for the first time on her own.

My personal prayer request. I'm struggling to lose weight. Since I gave birth, I've gained 20 kilograms (44 lbs.). I've been going to the gym for about a year, twice or sometimes three times a week, and my weight hasn't changed at all so far. I understand that I also need to work on what and how much I'm eating; that's the harder part. Sometimes I catch myself emotionally eating. Could you please pray for that area in my life?

Thank you for being with us all these years. Thank you for supporting us, believing in us, encouraging us to dream big, and praying for us all these years. We are grateful for each of you.

Would you think and pray of supporting us monthly.

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Thank you for your prayers, support, love, and care! In Christ, Rosen, Oksana, and Emma

