



International Brotherhood Aid

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IBA endeavors to draw people to Christ, and teach good stewardship and sustainable living.



Seeds of Hope

SPRING PLANTING IS ON THE HORIZON

Greetings from a land of war and opportunities.

We near the end of another year of challenges, growth, sadness joy, and adapting as we endeavor to follow and transmit Jesus to the folks around us.

Our team spent some time visiting a few villages in southern Ukraine along the Dnipro River. Some of these villages were among the recipients of this year's 'garden seed distribution project.' Then our volunteers had handed out assortments of seeds and seed potatoes along with Christian literature and Bibles, as a church brother shared a message of hope to the village crowd. It was a blessed time of connecting and sharing! The villagers showed us their garden harvest, products of some of the seeds that had been received. They sent a message of gratitude to God and all who shared in this project. They invited us to return for a visit and gifted us some of their potato supply!

Lord willing, we are anticipating distributing seeds packets

again this coming spring to 4,500 families in the south. For this program we are hoping to acquire a few truckloads of seed potatoes, and once more we humbly invite you to partner with us in allocating and blessing the villagers with the hope of another garden harvest. A truckload of seed potatoes delivered will cost \$8,000. This will supply approximately 1,150 families. Our goal is to raise the funds to \$32,000 so we can purchase 4 truckloads and thus reach 4,500 families.

In addition to this, we are purchasing the garden seed packs for about \$3 a pack, bringing the delivered cost to \$14,000 for 4,500 families. In all, we are looking at a project that will cost a minimum of \$46,000.

Thank-you again for your continued prayers and support!

Pray for peace in the country, that the love of Jesus would reach the sad and weary souls, and safety for our volunteers as they encounter many decisions and danger.



Needed in Ukraine:

- Volunteers for 1-3 months
- Funds to purchase seed potatoes and seed packs
Goal: \$46,000+
- Funds to help with grain drying
- Your ongoing prayers, support, and donations

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Grain Drying

Driving about twenty minutes from Kryvoshyntski to Yahniatyn for the first time to begin drying corn was interesting. Corn fields outside the villages are still standing waiting for harvest.

Arriving where the dryers are set up the first thing is handshakes and introductions. Before starting the generator and plugging cords in for drying, a general checkup is done. Grease the multiple bearings, and make sure all the mechanisms are in safe working condition. Then, filling each dryer with corn and emptying them was the daily experience as long as the weather was good and there was enough corn to dry.

There was a little room inside the shop onsite with a bed, stove, fridge, and table and chairs where they

generously served me coffee breaks and lunch. Google Translate was a great addition to the conversation.

The part I enjoyed the most was relating to each person that came to the site with bags to be filled with fines from drying. Whether they came in a VW Passat or a horse and wagon each was treated to some conversation and then I'd help fill their bags, tie them, and help load them in their transportation.

Over the course of about three weeks there must have been about twelve or more different men that I shook hands and helped. I pray that a small gesture of love in Jesus name will cause them to be drawn to Him.

-A volunteer