



The Kosyanchuks in Bilgorodka, Ukraine

4th Quarter Report

October

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Thank God that the Lord shows love and patience to every person and wants to save. This month we had an extraordinary event: a soul was saved, according to the Holy Scripture "as the head of the fire." This family came to our ministry about 10 years ago and their request was that the Lord would strengthen and, if it pleases His will, heal them.

Because the wife of this man was very sick and doctors could not cure her or even treat her a little. This woman repented and the ministers and the whole church prayed for her strengthening and, if it was God's will, for her to recover. Her husband is much older than she and he was very worried about her. By the grace of the Lord, the prayers were answered, and this woman gradually began to recover. And when she fully recovered, they stopped attending services and lost touch with the church.

And this month a woman from our church, who lives near this family, called at a very late hour and said that this family is asking for ministers to come to them. So, several brothers quickly gathered and came, because after a while the curfew was to begin. It turned out that this time the man was very ill. He was diagnosed with the last stage of cancer and hospitalized.

When he felt that it was getting worse, he insisted on being brought home because he wanted to repent. The doctors persuaded him to stay, but he insisted. And when he finally arrived home, he immediately informed a sister from our church about his desire to meet with the ministers.

Thank God, both the man and the woman cried and repented. After the conversation and prayers, the man smiled through the pain and rejoiced that he had become a child of the Lord. Two days later he passed away. The church celebrated the funeral, which was attended by many unbelievers. It was a wonderful testimony about Christ, salvation, and eternal life.

Now we hold only one service, because there are many sirens and air raids due to the arrival of missiles and other aircraft.

We sincerely thank you for your support, help and prayers. May God bless you with His heavenly blessings.

Anatoly Kosyanchuk

November

Praise be to God that in various trials the Lord gives strength and reinforcement to His children so that they can endure them, gain victory, and glorify Him. This month was very difficult for the members of our community. It got colder and the temperature started to fall. Wet snow was outside and the temperature in the house of prayer dropped, so that we have to perform the service at 12 degrees, and sometimes at 10 degrees.

Thank God with your help, we purchased a new gas boiler, but we cannot install it, as the documentation has not been prepared. The reason for this is rocket attacks, long air raids, and the absence of electricity and the Internet. And the last rocket exploded next to the place where the documents are made, so we are now praying that they will be preserved.

Currently, we heat the premises with an electric boiler, but several times a day and for a long time, both emergency and planned electricity are cut off. Therefore, before services, we start the generator and it makes it possible to raise the temperature a little, but the price of fuel for the generator has become very high. But thank God, we continue to insulate the utility room.

We remember you and thank you very much for helping to purchase the generator. Every time we start it, we remember you and sincerely thank you for your care. And we will dress warmer and winter with God's help. When we told the senior members of the church that if they are cold, they can stay at home, they still gathered for service even in the woods during the frost, so this temperature is still very good in such an anxious time.

Be that as it may, we are preparing for holiday services and preparing a Christmas program for children. Children from the village are already asking if there will be a children's holiday Christmas. We thank you again for your prayers, your support, and the love you show in Jesus Christ. May the Lord bless you with abundant heavenly blessings.

Amen.

Anatoly Kosyanchuk

December

By God's grace, He has guided us and protected us until this time, and He has given us the opportunity to celebrate the wonderful holiday of the Birth of Christ. Furthermore, the Lord has blessed us in allowing us to have power in the church building for almost the entire service. Not until the end of the service did the lights go out.

We have been celebrating Christmas on December 25 for several years [as opposed to the previously traditional date of January 7, as observed by the Russian Orthodox Church]. Therefore, knowing this, non-believers also come, since they believe that this is correct and do not want to celebrate with the Russians on January 7. But be that as it may, already in our country the majority now begin to celebrate on December 25 like Christians all over the world. Despite the war, thank God, there were no fewer people than usual in the Christmas service; only the number of the younger generation decreased. There are various reasons for this—the war has “scattered” them all to different places.

We enjoyed a very joyful meeting with our young brother, who at the beginning of the war went to help in the territorial defense. He dug trenches, carried shells, cooked food, and everything else. After the liberation of Kyiv region, he and his unit were sent to the east. The church prays for these defenders as we prepared dinner for some groups of this unit in our church. And so it happened that in one artillery section a gunner was urgently needed and our brother was invited. Thank God, he managed to learn this role and now teaches others. Therefore, as we see, the life circumstances of church members are extremely varied. We are also preparing a children's Christmas program and want to invite children for the whole day, so that there will be games, a performance, gifts, and a musical service.

We sincerely thank God and you for this opportunity, because without your help and support, we would not be able to do many things on our own resources. Therefore, may the Lord bless you in your life and work in His field.

Amen.

Anatoly Kosyanchuk