



The Demopoulos Family serving in Ukraine April 2022



This is the Saturday before the invasion. Sasha with us men were tending to street preaching, soul winning, witnessing, fishing for men, just having a great time in the Lord.

Rudely Awakened

On Thursday, February 24th at 5 o'clock in the morning we were rudely awakened by an extremely loud explosion. The war was 'on.' The typical war siren went on and we found ourselves in a war. We knew that tanks from Russian would take a while before they made it down to Kiev, (target number one for Putin). Nonetheless Russian troops supposedly parachuted down at the airport just twenty minutes from our house. We heard bombs going off in the background, and saw fighter planes going over our heads while we were packing things into our cars. After having quickly gathered what we could we headed for the southwestern side of Ukraine. What usually would take about 7 hours to drive, it took about 24 hours. We were being navigated by telephone by a national whom I've had the pleasure of training over the years. He served in the army before. He was actually guiding us through the back roads of Ukraine to avoid bombing. Many of the roads were very rough on the cars. Something could have broken down. We were playing not 'dodge ball' but "dodge bomb." I was praying that the communications would not fail, nor our cars would break down. We caravanned together: David, my son in law with his family in their car and a family from Ukraine in their car. After driving nonstop, we finally made it to the border only to have to wait in line at customs 3 full days and nights.



(The man on the far left, (by window), Vladimir Korol is one of our long-time friends and one of the best preachers Ukraine has heard preach the word of God, is seen holding the gun in the picture on the right.



There were so many fleeing the country it is simply a miracle of God that we made it finally out, thanks to your prayers. Support money helps us for food and clothing and many other things but your prayers allowed us to avoid any bombs. We escaped from getting hit. The ‘mystique’ about the whole thing is you never knew where the next bomb would hit. Then, we made it eventually to Warsaw and flew to Chicago.

So far, our little region where our home is located has not been troubled. But there is the possibility of looters that can ransack the house. We were forced to leave everything; the house, garage, church building, our friends and neighbors, members of our church, our dog, etc. All of our property was left in the hands and watch care of our neighbor. So, please pray that there won't be any damage done either because of the war or by looters.



Alexander, (second from right) just a few months ago transferred to our church because we preached from the Russian translation of the King James Bible.

At present

We are presently staying at First Baptist Church of Schererville, In. We thank the Lord for our long-time friend, Pastor Tom McDonnell and church for their hospitality.

All of the people that we know and have had association with in Ukraine are still alive. Most of them are scattered throughout Ukraine or have crossed the border in surrounding countries. I am preaching and teaching by “**zoom**” every Sunday and Wednesday according to their time in Kiev. It is still dangerous to some extent to travel in the city.

Near the city of Butcha, which is rather well-known because of the bombing and intense fighting there, is where we, in the year 2000 started our tent ministry “**Trans-Ukrainian Evangelist ‘Reach’**” (2 Cor. 10:13, 14). That is where we started a church. One of our sisters in the Lord let us know that her house was targeted by a tank and blew her house up. That’s the end of that. No more home. Please pray for Larissa, that God will provide for her. Very tough situation!

Printing

Also, we have made contact with a couple of printing ministries in the States to help us print both the Russian and Ukrainian New Testaments, John and Romans, and the Russian Bible for those in the States. We hope to find someone to help print in Ukraine, Lord willing if that be possible in the near future. We should have more on that later. We’ve got all kinds of people in Ukraine and in Europe wanting our Bibles, New Testaments and John and Romans with the King James text in their languages. Our tracts and John and Romans are being printed in Moldova by Bro. Hamilton and also in Switzerland by Bro. Verhoef. We’re also looking at a couple other European countries to print. The Lord has opened up so many doors now to get His word out faster and also in various places throughout Europe as never before. So, please pray that we can get God’s word into the hands of needy people as effectively as possible during this time of war in Ukraine.

Green Card

Also, at present we finally got ‘the ball rolling’ concerning Galia’s green card. We are gathering all the necessary documents, and that, hopefully it will not take a long time for this process to go through. Please pray that it won’t take more than 6-8 months for us to get the green card and because of the fact that we were forced out of our home because of the war, getting the green card might even be expedited. Please put some prayer on that.

Thanks

On behalf of my family, I’d like to give thanks for *ALL* of the churches and *many* individuals that have been praying for us and have helped us financially. You’ve helped so much to make things go a whole lot easier for us. If I were to list *all* the churches and individuals that pitched in, it would be too long of a list and I would probably forget to mention somebody. The list would be incomplete and I don’t want to do that. There are folks and churches that have been with us well over 25 to 30 years and newcomers that also have invested in missions in the Former Soviet Union, “**Magog**” and “**Gog**” territories. We are now fellowshipping with Russian and Ukrainian speaking people world-wide. And you are all a part of that. I just want to say “Thank you” for helping us get plane tickets, a car, insurance, help us with ‘starting over’ needing clothes, shoes, shirts, pants, stuff for the ladies (Galia, Rachel and Hannah), and what have you. We thank you for your labour of love, care and concern, financial, moral, spiritual support and especially your intercessory prayers for us. We sure do appreciate you being a special blessing to us. It is such a great encouragement to be in the family of God. That encourages us to be the servants, God would have us to be for His glory and honour. Thank you!

Because of Calvary,
Bro. Demopoulos (Rom. 10:13-15)



E-mail: pdkjv1611@gmail.com

Website: www.harvestukraine.org

Russian Websites: harvestukraine.org/rus

Cell phone: (011-380-95)-613-8073

Here is our telephone number **219-728-4748**

For Russian speaking **youtube.com** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N68on1bawAg>

Good Fight of Faith bibleradius.com

English YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/user/pdkjv1611/videos?view_as=subscriber

Latest book written: Modern-Day Apostate Scribes

https://harvestukraine.org/contents/final_authority/modern-day-apostate-scribes.htm