

Outreach Campaign Continues As War Rages In Ukraine

The war has shattered the lives of millions of internally displaced Ukrainians as they continue to flee the full scale war launched by Russia on February 24th. The war has also shocked and deeply stirred the hearts of millions of others living in the western world. We are witnessing the most devasting war in Europe in recent history.

THERE IS NO PAUSE BUTTON IN THE GREAT COMMISSION

The outreach in Ukraine continues despite the war. The campaign was launched in Mariupol in December. But with the full scale invasion by Russia, the campaign rapidly morphed in a new direction.

Our local teams began evacuating people trapped in frontline villages and cities being shelled by the Russian army. We also started delivering humanitarian aid to thousands not able to evacuate.

The war has meant that millions of traumatized people have lost homes and addresses. They are adrift and take refuge in basements and bomb shelters. But, they can and need to be reached with the Gospel of hope, healing, and love.

We have re-edited the GCMM evangelism book to meet the psychological and spiritual needs of this nation at war. The 160-page book appears in both Ukrainian and Russian. We need to print large numbers of the book each costing 2.00 dollars. The book is retitled "The Road Home."

NEED FOR HUMANITARIAN AID GROWS

We also provide aid and vital assistance to frontline villages where normal life and basic services no longer exist. The friends of GCMM have come to the aid of Ukraine by generously donating funds.

SAVING LIVES—EVACUATIONS CONTINUE

Because of your financial support, we have been able to provide vehicles needed for evacuation and delivery of food and medical aid. The military chaplains that we support share the good news of the Gospel in these villages, frequently under fire from Russian artillery.



As soon as we arrived at the frontline village of Novoselovka we were met with enemy artillery fire. There were no air raid sirens just explosions as soon as we opened the door of our vehicle.

Bags filled with food were hastily unloaded. 145 villagers, many in tears, were waiting for our arrival and their weekly ration of food.





The rations: Canned food, dried packaged soups, water, flour and salt, as well as vitamins and some chocolate.





The war has deeply affected the residents of frontline villages. The day before, 8 people were successfully evacuated from the village. Constant shelling by Russian forces makes evacuation and delivery of aid dangerous.



Because of your prayers we have not suffered casualties during the evacuations, but have suffered some equipment loss. God's protecting hand has been upon us as we have ministered.

Thank-you for remembering GCMM's mission work and for prayers and support, during the challenging upcoming summer. Humanitarian aid continues, and reports will be shared from each journey.

Together we continue to play an important part in the great commission of Jesus by taking the Gospel to our generation!

May The Lord bless and encourage you and keep you safe this summer. Thank you again for your continued support and prayers.

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