



**Dear Ministry friend,**

We are living in troublous times. Russia’s devastating war of aggression in Ukraine continues. Relations between the US and Europe are at an all-time low. Europe is preparing for the potential of war with Russia. Promises of a ceasefire seem hollow.

In the Middle East, Israel is fighting a war on two fronts, Hezbollah in Lebanon and Hamas in Gaza. The world economy is sliding into chaos (New York Times 17.01.2025). Once known as the “Rock of Gibraltar” for freedom, the partnership between the EU and the US is now seen as a source of instability.

**Resurrection is the All-Encompassing Message of Easter**

Once again, Easter is upon us. The followers of Jesus were devastated by the events preceding Easter Sunday. **Friday** was the day when trouble hit, big time! It’s the day when pain arrives in our lives. Our dreams die. We lose hope. We lose a job, a friend. Our physician gives us a bad report. We call out to God but there is silence. We look for him, but we can’t find him. Silence is the word for Easter **Saturday**. As far as we are concerned Easter Sunday will never arrive.

But the message of Easter **Sunday** is, that resurrection morning does come. It came for the disciples. On God’s calendar after the darkest nights—the fiercest storms, resurrection morning does come bringing with it life, new beginnings, and hope.

Regardless of world news, GCMM relentlessly continues to take

the message of Easter, the message of our risen Lord to the peoples and nations of our world. The mandate has not changed. We are focused on the mission regardless of the news, political forecasts, or impending economic turmoil.

From a Kingdom perspective, there is much reason for optimism. First, the upcoming GCMM ministry in Cairo, Egypt has entered its “set up” stage. The target is to reach over 25 million people who do not know the Lord. In Ethiopia, we are in fervent negotiations with Ethiopian Evangelical churches. The target is to reach 40 million unreached Ethiopians. In Mongolia, a major outreach event planned for August with Inner Mongolia ministry is developing under the radar. Invitations for high-impact Mega City Campaigns have come from Amman, Jordan and Dubai, UAE. Ministry to Israel and to “closed Islamic nations” via 18 satellites continues.

**“He Restores My Soul” Psalm 23**

In Ukraine, if anywhere, the message of restoration that come through God’s healing word is needed.

In his Shepherd psalm, David wrote about the Lord who restores his soul. Undoubtedly, David was referring to personal experience. His victory over Goliath was just a distant memory. David was driven from the palace and lost everything that a man could possibly lose. In one day, his soul had suffered shock, disbelief, despair, and utter ruin.



Jerry and Sue Lewin

## Christ is Risen!

In a world still shadowed by darkness, sin, and fear, Jesus rose from the grave—bringing salvation, new life, and new meaning. He met Mary Magdalene in her grief. And today, through your prayers and support, GCMW walks with those still in that garden of sorrow—in Ukraine, where war has shattered lives and left many carrying the heavy burden of loss and trauma. Into those broken places, we carry the name of Jesus.

Just as Mary heard Him speak her name and everything changed, our prayer this Easter is that many in Ukraine and around the world will hear His voice—and that their lives, too, will be transformed. Because of your partnership, Christ is still appearing—still healing, still calling, still changing lives. And the echo of that first Resurrection morning still resounds today: Christ is Risen! And now, people have hope.

As we celebrate the Risen Saviour, would you continue to stand with us—so that more hearts can hear His voice through the *Recovery from Trauma* books, and more lives can be forever changed?

Could I ask you a personal favor? Would you give a special Easter financial gift for the Ukrainian people today? We would like to print 100,000 copies of these *Recovery from Trauma* Gospel books, immediately. Please go to **GCMW.us** to donate now!

Our entire GCMW team wish you and your family a Blessed Resurrection season!

*Jerry Lewin*

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In Ukraine, missiles, bombs, and drones mutilate the human body. But war also destroys the soul, families, and relationships. It leaves the wounded soul in despair, panic, hopelessness, doubt and loss of will to live, the end of which all too often is suicide.

However, David's message is loud and clear: The Shepherd of our souls has the power to restore that which the enemy has broken. (Ps. 23: 3).

According to the Ministry of Health in Ukraine, the war has traumatized the whole nation. No one is immune. There are not even nearly enough psychiatrists and psychologists to cope with the number of Ukrainians needing help. Much more is needed. To that need, GCMW is responding.



GCMW has produced a 190-page book, which is a guide to restoration of a broken soul. Contributing to the book are Christian psychiatrists and psychologists. But additionally, the book serves as a road map to a new, restored life in Jesus. Together with you, we can guide people to the Shepherd who has the power to restore a traumatized life. *(continued on back page)*

One of the stories of how God brings healing to the soul

## Nataliia Bradarska, Wife of a Pastor, Shot By

When the war started in our town of Slovyansk, I asked my husband to leave the town. But every time I heard, "I can't, I am a servant of the church..." The explosions were heard, houses were crumbling, and people were dying... But we stayed... Two months passed, then the unexpected happened ...

After the Sunday church service, we went outside with other parishioners. Armed people in a car were already waiting in the yard. Without explanation, they took a couple of our men, including my Viktor, with them.

Where? Why? What will happen to them? These questions left without answers.

The whole day, I was scared to go outside, but then, "Who, if not the wife, will fight for him?" I went to Ukraine's Security Service building, where it was said the hostages were being held. I was told the kidnapped men were currently digging trenches, promising they would be home soon. But not the next day or week, nobody returned.





## Enemy Forces In Slovyansk

Thirty-five days passed before I learned the truth...thirty-five endless days and sleepless nights filled with pain, waiting, and hope that Viktor is alive... But as it turned out, everyone who was taken then was shot on the same day. The body of my husband was found in a mass grave...

In the first few months, I could not believe that Viktor was gone. Our family was often called the dream family. Kind words, attention, and three wonderful kids. What to say? In 19 years of marriage, we accomplished a lot, and we wanted to accomplish much more...

The main question—how to continue living? Where to find the strength to rise after such a shock? Today, after a few years I can say: without God, prayer, and Church, it is impossible to survive such a tragedy. Without such support, I would break.

I saw the people who did this evil. My heart was breaking that they shed innocent blood... But

eventually, I decided to forgive... I feel sorry for them. I confess it is hard to come to terms with what happened, but I have God. In Him, I find comfort and peace. Praying and reading the Bible, looking at my children, I understand I have something to live for; my mission on earth is not finished yet.

Viktor is already there in heaven. We are on the way. No matter how bitter it is, I know God will help me go through all difficulties and grief. Because only He can wipe away the tears of loss. Only He heals souls. Only He gives strength to forgive what is impossible to forgive. When death brings desperation, only He resurrects hope...

*Nataliia Bradaska*







*The trauma of war is a common denominator in the lives of millions of Ukrainians, but at the same time, spiritual hunger is a common denominator that has reached new proportions. We still desperately need more funds to print more Ukrainian campaign books!*

## God's Word Brings Healing for the Wounded Soul

Funding is needed to print these new trauma books! The cost of a book to a Ukrainian suffering from the horrors of the war is \$3. With a donation of \$30, you can provide 10 books for 10 families. Every donation makes a difference. This is an integral part of the mission of GCOMM.

The overriding message of Easter is the resurrection. Because Jesus rose from the dead, He has the power to resurrect that which is seen as a total "write-off". No damage inflicted by the devil is beyond God's power to revive, restore, and resurrect. That is God's promise!

Thank you for caring and sharing. Thank you for your faithful partnership.  
Wishing you a joyful and blessed Easter!

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