

SPOTLIGHT!

"To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death . . ." Luke 1:79



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Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Six years ago, many of you gave to help us rebuild one of the buildings which consisted of three playrooms and one bathroom at the Romaniv orphanage in the Derzincks region. We have continued to help them through the years with humanitarian aid for the children.

We have written in our past newsletters about Jim and Sherrie Devlin and the many things they have helped us with during their time in Ukraine. Their contacts at the Ukrainian embassy have been very generous in helping with new construction at the Romaniv orphanage in the Derzincks region. They have purchased fixtures to build and repair three more bathrooms at the facility.



One of three new bathrooms at the Romaniv orphanage.

Mary and I went out to visit the Romaniv orphanage to see the work that is being done. We were very pleased to see how well they have taken care of the work that we did several years ago, and also to see the new work that is being done at their location. We praise the Lord for those who have helped to accomplish this work.



One of the rooms that was rebuilt in 1999.

During our visit I had the opportunity to once again talk with the orphanage director, Vasiliy, about the Lord. As we talked, we spoke of the many good things that he has done for the children in his care. I was able to share with him that although these were wonderful things, that his good works alone was not enough to get him to heaven. I explained that he had to trust Jesus and the work He did on the cross. Vasily understood and bowed his head and prayed the sinners prayer there in his office that day! Praise the Lord!



**Orphanage Director, Vasiliy .
with Mr. Mucher.**

Recently I had the opportunity to meet with one of our graduates from Beacon Bible College who shared with me his desires for serving the Lord. The following is a letter he wrote to me about his burden to serve the Lord.



Dear Mr. Mucher,

I am glad you have come to Zhitomir again. I would like to testify how much God has blessed us through Beacon Missions.

In college I had a pleasant time expounding the Bible and becoming acquainted with the American culture. I repented and was baptized and grew spiritually glorifying God. After graduating, those who felt called to ministry, found their ministry. Some organized churches and even the fact that we had difficulties at college, it did not discourage us.

There appears a need to organize churches in the nearby villages. This has induced me to write this letter and I desire to work as a missionary.

This is a list of what I would like to do:

- 1. To visit one of the villages, preach there bringing people to Christ, organize a Church and Sunday school.*
- 2. To visit several orphanages bringing the Word of God to those children, and put my efforts to sooth their sufferings and improve living conditions.*
- 3. To spread Christian books and newspapers among the community and conduct Seminars to acquaint people with the principals of Christian morality and the Christian way of life.*

I will work both weekdays and weekends. I hope to find others to help me with music and teaching Sunday school.

Your presence in Ukraine has made a deep impression on me. In my eyes you were representatives of the Americans who support us with their prayers and funds. I desire to inform you that your efforts were not in vain. Many of our graduates, including myself, have found their place in life and

ministry and are satisfied. I pray God for your peace and good cheer.

With all respect,

Vasiliy Vakhovsky

Please pray with us that the Lord will send the necessary support to allow Vasiliy to begin the work the Lord has burdened him to do.

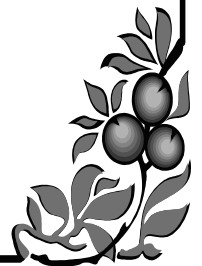


As another year comes to a close, we thank everyone who has held up our arms before the Lord in prayer and financial support to carry on the mission work in Ukraine. Our reports show there were 190 people who trusted Christ through the total ministry outreach this year. Praise the Lord!!

This year has been especially busy starting The Beacon newspaper. There have been many responses including salvations, encouragement to live a better Christian life, as well as wanting the paper sent to others. We are shipping to several Russian speaking countries and pray as it goes out each month that many would be saved.

May your Christmas be filled with His presence and everlasting love, and may the New Year bring you much happiness.

*God bless you,
Pete and Mary*



VILKA STORY

In 1998, Mary and I celebrated our 40th wedding anniversary in a little remote village nearly two hours from Zhytomyr where we live. At that time the mayor of this little village of Vilha was Valentina, who surprised us with a full traditional Ukrainian celebration. The students from the school put on a



Peter and Mary Mucher with Valentina and Vladimir

special play dressed in Ukraine costume, and treated us with a luncheon and “wedding” cake. We will never forget that day!

Many years we have prayed about starting a church in Vilka, especially after Valentina trusted Christ as her Saviour. But God did not send anyone until now. Maxim and Natasha are both graduates of Bible colleges and live only 25 kilometers from



Maxim and Natasha

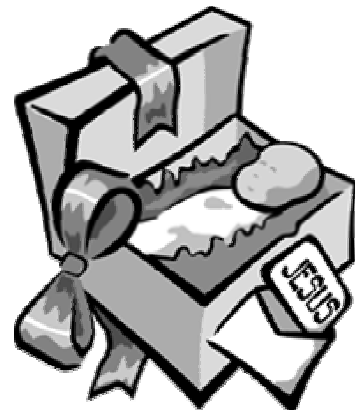
Vilka, and they are burdened for the area where they have grown up. Bro. Victor Morozuyk brought them to us and our hearts were kindred in the work of the Lord.

There are stipulations in starting a village church, and we needed permission from the head of the “rada” (or mayor) in order to proceed. There is already an Orthodox church in Vilka and the mayor had heard about Americans who wanted to start a Baptist church. He was totally against it. Victor and I went out to visit the mayor, whose name is also Peter, and when he saw me he remembered me from our anniversary party. Although he was not mayor at that time he had attended the celebration. I asked him about starting a church and he gave us his blessing.



Maxim, Peter (mayor), Peter Mucher, Victor Morozuyk

Maxim and Natasha already have a youth group in their home church and have services in an orphanage once a week. We praise the Lord for sending this young couple to us. Please pray for them as they begin this new endeavor. Bro. Victor will work with them in my absence, and we are grateful for his ability to help them.



PRAYER REQUESTS

"Brethren, pray for us."
1 Thessalonians 5:25

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- This month "*The Beacon*" has been sent to several Russian speaking countries. Please pray it will reach many with the Gospel message.
- Pray for Maxim and Natasha in Vilka.
- Pray for the other village ministries.
- Pray for the orphanage teams as they minister every week to hundreds of children.

PLEASE NOTE

Starting in January 2006, the *Spotlight* will be published quarterly.

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Beacon World Missions is a non-profit Christian ministry of independent Baptist tradition which does evangelism, church planting, leadership training, literature distribution, child sponsorship, medical assistance, self-help for the disabled, and orphanage renovation in the country of Ukraine.

News From the Field

Pastor Victor Morozuyk who pastors the Koristachiv church and nine village churches, is a very busy man! Not only does he work to help meet the spiritual needs of these people, but he works to help meet their physical needs as well.

We were able to purchase a chainsaw for Pastor Victor. One of the ways he assists is by helping to



Pastor Victor cutting firewood.

provide firewood during the long, cold winter months. He and his wife also help by providing bread and food for the people.



Pastor Victor delivering bread.



Pastor Victor and his wife, Natasha.

Please pray for Pastor Victor and his wife as they continue to minister to the needs of the people in Ukraine.