



Eternal Perspective

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Hillebrands serving in Ukraine/Eurasia/Asia

ASIA

We are in the process of finalizing our next trip to Asia in February. Foreigners are currently not allowed in one of the regions we had hoped to do training due to war. However a pastor in an area nearby said he would like us to come and have us train 30 pastors and their wives. The other location where we will continue our training from last year has been in the news a lot due to the war between this nation's armed forces and another nationality with different religious beliefs. As of now it is still OK for us to travel there and teach once again.

Pastor Daniel will be traveling in three states in his nation doing evangelistic Christmas programs in six towns and eight villages. It is only at Christmas time that his government allows Christians to have public evangelistic events.

Currently we have \$4,000 of the \$21,000 needed to build the New Life Center in this country which will house an orphanage, church and missionary training school. Please pray with us that the \$17,000 still needed will be raised soon. It would be great to see the completed structure when we arrive. Thank you!

"In the same region there were *some* shepherds staying out in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord suddenly stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were terribly frightened. But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people; for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. This *will be* a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."
 Luke 2:8-12



This is the reason we exist -- to worship, love and serve God. Through Jesus we can have eternal life because He was born to die in order to offer us salvation from our sin!

As a result of the three new potential ministry opportunities for Randy, he is now preparing a 200-page course on Ecclesiology. He may also teach it as one of this seminary's classes. Please pray for wisdom as he works on this course.

As a result of the 500-year Reformation celebration in Ukraine, Randy was asked to address a group of pastors about the hazards and consequences related to churches and/or their association of churches moving toward ecumenicalism and/or political/social activism. Not understanding completely what he was stepping into and therefore how exactly to approach the subject, Randy explained our position in Christ, our calling, and our task as well as how and why Satan desires to dilute the Church with the world. The message was very well received. Your prayer support is crucial for us as we minister here in changing times, like in September when Randy prepared to teach military chaplains. It was a difficult topic for this time in Ukraine's history, therefore it was challenging to prepare. Randy was told by one pastor, "No! Do not teach on this. It is too controversial at this time in our history."

On December 1 and 2 we will again be teaching a group of pastors and women in southern Ukraine where we taught in May. They were very receptive last time, had lots of questions, appreciated the seminars and purchased many books from Annette. Later she shipped more to them that were requested on the spiritual disciplines, one of the topics that she taught the women, as well as some of Randy's books. She will again be bringing along many resources for

them to purchase and addressing topics pertinent to them, such as on marriage, money matters and a lesson specifically for pastors' wives.

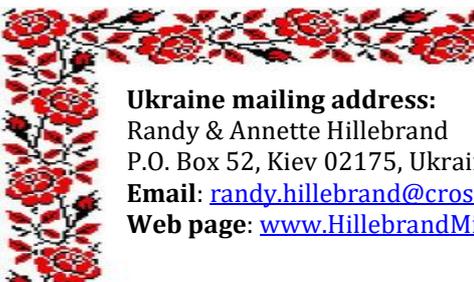
The Christmas season finds Annette busy ordering and reordering scripture calendars for various ministries and outreaches, besides many books. Last month the war widows were grateful to be able to take many free books and calendars, as well as subscribe to Christian magazines for themselves and their children. She also supplied all the resources for the women of our church to make 125 greeting cards for Christmas to be given to chaplains to use once again in their holiday services in the East. You can watch a small video clip here: <https://fex.net/#!/080830319044> (copy and paste this link and then click on the file titled, "2pota.mov").



1. For the many books the university students took at the end of English Club and for the short break we had with friends in western Ukraine afterwards.
2. That because of your generosity, we are able to give generously to other individuals and ministries as needed.
3. For the opportunities Randy has to address some tough issues here in Ukraine.
4. That Luke is settled into his role at Ft. Hood and able to spend time with Elya and Joseph, especially on Thanksgiving.
5. That because of your gifts the war widows were able to take for free many books and other resources, as well as subscribe to Christian magazines for their children and themselves.



1. Our time of teaching December 1 and 2, encouragement of our brothers and sisters there in their walk with Christ and outreach of the churches represented, safe travels, good fellowship and good communication in a language we still find very challenging.
2. God to use the books and other resources Annette makes available, including the magazine subscriptions and calendars with Scripture that will be given as gifts to unbelievers. In particular the widows and their children plus the Roma Pavel continues to reach out to. Also for the money needed to purchase a building in which to start a church among them.
3. The \$17,000 yet needed to build the New Life Center in Asia.
4. Randy as he works on the Ecclesiology course, for wisdom while writing and translation.
5. The chaplains' ministries to the soldiers during the holiday season, and Daniel's numerous evangelistic outreaches in Asia. For them to clearly present the gospel and see many come to Christ.
6. Good health for us in the winter months and safety in general. Thank you so much!!!



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