

Dnepropetrovsk, Ukraine: fund for Christian materials

ALEXEY NAVTROVSKY is a Lutheran Church–Canada missionary in Dnepropetrovsk, Ukraine. He is building on the work begun by Rev Roland Syens and needs Bibles and other materials for Bible study to further the spreading of the Gospel. Alexey has many programs on the go.

He and a group of students do “drama ministry.” At Christmas they performed “The Snow Queen” for 1,000 children, gave gifts for the orphans, played, sang and told the Christmas story of God’s love and Jesus’ birth.

He taught a course on Lutheranism, “Preaching Law and Gospel in a Sermon” at a preachers’ forum for 50 preachers and pastors. He and his team visited two orphanages in February 2010, but were unable to spend time with the children because of the H1N1 virus. They shared the Good News with the director and left warm clothes and medicines as well as some school equipment.

The local congregation has a membership of 30 but on Palm Sunday they welcomed an additional 10 adults into their number.

Thursday is a special day each week for Alexey and his team as they spend time with teens at a nearby school. They play games, sing and study the Bible together.

Grace LWMLC in Brandon, Man., wanted to raise awareness of this mission and the League’s grant to support it. To do so they held a Ukrainian supper attended by 100 hungry souls. Two Ukrainian dancers, Tym and Matalya Jaddock, two young singers, Michelle Malyon and Randi Wagner, entertained. The evening was lots of fun and there were plenty of volunteers to thank.

Collections in special “mite socks” and donations, along with a matching grant of \$500 from FaithLife brought in a total of \$1,430 that will be used to help Alexey further the spread of the Good News in Ukraine. ✨

Bernice LaBuick, Christian Mission Committee



Tym and Natalya Jaddock

Mini Mission Bible Study #2

Many verses in the Bible encourage the kind of work Alexey is doing. Here are a few for you to look up.

God’s command.

Matthew 28:19-20

The following verses tell about the beauty of the “Good News.”

Isaiah 40:9 and 52:7

Luke 3:18 and 16:16

Acts 5:42 and 14:7

Romans 10:15

Find God’s grace for proclaiming the gospel.

Romans 15:16

1 Corinthians 9:14

Do good to others.

1 Timothy 2:3b-4

Galatians 6:10

Mini Mite challenge

Give the cost of the following items to Mites in support of this mission grant.

- 1 doz. perogies \$2.50
- A brick of cheese \$8.00
- 5 lbs. of potatoes \$5.00
- An hour of your time \$10.00
- 1 lb. hamburger \$3.00
- A head of cabbage \$3.00



