

## **Prayer Guide for Ukraine - Content from RootedMinistry.ca and Gerry and Teresa Verhoog**

### **Praise Items from Garry Verhoog:**

- Returned recently from nearly a month in Ukraine. He notes that things seem to be improving, electricity is running, cities are opening up. He and his team were able to travel easily and renovate a barn while there.
- The church in the village continues to grow partly because of the refugees and partly because of Oleg and Allena's help, who are doing a great job with the students and have taken over the leadership of the church.

**Prayer Request:** Garry's planning on returning in the fall, if it is possible. Pray for the planning of this trip and that all details would be worked out to make it possible.

**For physical and spiritual protection:** (Psalm 91, 2 Cor 1:3-4, Lev 26:13) God of angel armies, we ask that you would work mightily for the spiritual and physical protection of our brothers and sisters in Ukraine. We pray that you will keep your people safe from harm, command your angels to guard them, and hide them in the shelter of your wings. Where there is fear, oppression, death, and spiritual warfare, we ask in the perfect name of Jesus that you would trample Satan and his schemes. You are the Father of mercies and the God of all comfort; comfort them in their afflictions. You are the Lord our God. As you brought Israel out of their oppression in Egypt, so, Father, we pray you break the yoke of oppression over the peoples of Ukraine (and of Russia).

**That God would supply every practical need:** (Phil 4:19, Psalm 104:27-28, Prov. 3:27) God, you are able to supply every need of every one of your children according to your riches in glory in Christ Jesus. Our brothers and sisters are looking to you now, to give them their food, their shelter, their protection, their medicines, their everything. When you open your hand, your people are filled with good things. We pray that we would not withhold good from those to whom it is due, but that by your Spirit we would give and do where it is in our power to act.

**For the Growth of God's Church:** (Col 4:2-4, Psalm 43:3, Psalm 40:3) Father, as awful and tragic as this war is, we pray that you may use it to open doors for your word, to declare the mystery of Christ to those who do not yet know him. Even in this deep darkness, Lord, send out your light and your truth; let them lead unbelievers to you. May your light and truth bring those who are far from you to your holy mountain, to your dwelling place. Give believers (and unbelievers!) a new song of praise to you, so that many will see and fear and put their trust in you.

**For the hearts of the persecutors:** (Mat 5:44, Psalm 54:4-7) Father, we are praying that our Ukrainian brothers and sisters will be able to love their enemies, to pray for those who are persecuting them. May they trust that you, Father, are their helper, and you are the upholder of their lives. You will return any evil upon their enemies; you will deliver them from every trouble.

**Deliverance from evil:** (Jer. 15:21, Gal.1:4, Matt 6:13, Rev. 22:20) Rescue our brothers and sisters in Ukraine from the hands of the wicked and redeem them from the grasp of the violent. Jesus, you gave yourself for our sins so that you might rescue us from this present evil age; deliver your children from evil, for yours is the power and the kingdom and the glory forever. You are coming soon! Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.