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INFORMATION AND PRAYER LETTER

*...whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me. Mt. 25:40b*

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## Our beloved brothers and sisters in Christ the Lord,

The grace of God is indispensable in our daily lives, especially in the difficult times in which we live today. This grace gives us rest, hope and strength. Wars, cataclysms, pandemics, galloping high prices, all this was announced by our Lord and it is happening literally before our eyes. (Luke 21:9-12)

Difficult times shape a person and reveal his character by showing what is really inside us. All those who follow Christ know perfectly well that, in His power and strength, we can overcome all the adversities that wish to touch us every day of this earthly pilgrimage. It is Jesus who gives us the life-giving energy of sanctification and strength. It is He who gives His joy, peace and desire to help others, and so we do.

Another year is coming to an end, and God has given us everything we need for our lives as He promised. We see His grace every day, not only in our lives, but above all in this ministry that we have been doing for so many years. The table is still set, and the cup is full, and though the needs are increasing from year to year, the grace of our Lord still amazes us.

It is He who touches your hearts so generously to help His brothers and sisters who are waiting. It is thanks to you that this help continues to be provided. Lunches, packages, medicines, operations, treatments and rest are all thanks to the generosity of your hearts, for which we thank you all together with the descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

We thank you not only for this year but also for all the years of your prayers and support. May God richly reward you.

Shalom Ministry Association in Oświęcim



**Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people...**

Gal 6: 9-10



## Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Thanks to God's grace and faithfulness, in November we made another trip to Ukraine. We have visited many towns and met our dear friends who, thanks to God's grace and your financial support, are constantly receiving help.

After arriving in the town of Vinnytsia, the next day we went to Zhmerynka, where we visited our dear co-worker Emma. Then we met with those who were helped on a daily basis.



Emma and Grażyna

One of them was 73-year-old Dmitry, who is taken care of by his 72-year-old sister Fira. Although both are of similar age, Dmitry is very ill and often needs help even in the simplest of life activities. Dmitry in the past was in the Red Army, where he encountered a wave of despicable anti-Semitism, which still today has its fateful consequences in the form of his mental illness. Fira also



Dimitry and Fira

has a very sick daughter, and her son fights on the front in the vicinity of Avdiivka. In the face of such great problems that our dear friends are facing, we spoke to them with great humility and love about salvation in the Messiah of Israel Yeshua, who came first to His beloved nation. We ask you to pray for Dmitry, Fira and their entire family to open their hearts to the Messiah of Israel.

In Zhmerynka we also visited 74-year-old Sofia. Sofia is in a very serious condition. Due to the very advanced cancer condition, she no longer takes chemotherapy. Let us pray to God for His intervention in this difficult situation. We ask you to pray for the fulfilment of God's will and for salvation in Sofia's life. *I lift up my eyes to the mo-*



Marina and Sofia

*untains – where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth. (Psalm 121:1-1)*

At the end of our stay in Zhmerynka, we had lunch together at the cafeteria, where our dear friends receive a warm two-course dinner. We heard many words of gratitude for your help and many greetings that we convey to you. We ask you to pray for Emma and for the Jewish community in Zhmerynka so that this help will conti-



Dining room  
in Zhmerynka



nue to grow and bring blessed fruits for the glory of God.

The next day of our stay we were in Vinnytsia, where we visited Ida and Leonid. Unfortunately, Leonid is in an increasingly poor health condition, and now he also has problems with the functioning of the kidneys. We ask you to pray for Leonid's health, and also for Ida that the Lord will support her with His strength in taking care of her husband.



We also visited Rita, who thanks to prayers, care and help is feeling good. Our only desire directed to Almighty God is to ask for Rita's salvation.



We were very pleased to visit Michail, who, despite being 83 years old and the hard experiences caused by the Holocaust, welcomed us

with great joy and gratitude. Together we remembered the time when Michail participated in one of the "Rest" projects in our country. It was a time for him that he remembers with great nostalgia and gratitude in his heart. We ask you to pray for



Michail, that the good God may give him strength and health in his old age, and above all, that He may show him His grace and mercy for salvation.

In Vinnytsia, we also visited 77-year-old Olga. Olga and her husband served in the Red Army and therefore lived in Soviet Russia. Her whole family lives there too. After many years, Olga's mother returned to Vinnytsia. When she felt worse over the years, she asked Olga to come and take care of her. After the death of her mother, Olga remained in Vinnytsia, working as a forester and as an officer in a Women's Penitentiary. She had Russian citizenship all her life, which did not prevent her from working and functioning normally in Ukraine. Unfortunately, the war with Russia made her life very complicated, although, as she stated, in most offices or other institutions she has not encountered hostility or hatred. The most painful thing for her is that her pension, which she received from Russia, was completely blocked. As a result of this situation, Olga found herself in great poverty. As a person of Jewish origin, she can count on ad hoc support provided by the local Jewish community, but this is not enough in her daily, very humble life. Olga has very sporadic contact with her relatives in



Russia, who have no way to support her mother, grandmother and great-grandmother in need. Olga needs our prayers and practical help. But above all, he needs salvation in the Lord Jesus Christ.

We also met with 73-year-old Galina and Michail. They have two children, one of whom lives in Russia with his family. The second son lives in Vinnytsia and it is a great blessing for them in their situation. Due to the ongoing war, they have no contact with their son and his family in Russia. We ask you to pray for Galina and Michail so that



the Lord in His grace will open their hearts to salvation in Yeshua.

In the local hospital we visited 72-year-old Raja, whom we have been helping for many years Raja was hospitalized due to numerous cardiac problems. She was very grateful for the memory and the meeting and she asks you to pray for her health. On our part, we also pray for the salvation of Raja and her husband Borys with his family. *Ah, Sovereign Lord, you have made the heavens and the*



*earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you. (Jeremiah 32:17)*

It was a real joy and excitement for us to visit 87-year-old Arkadia. Despite the sadness associated with his wife's death, Arkadia experiences the intangible joy and peace that Yeshua, who is his Saviour, gives him. Thank God Arkadia is doing well, and the Lord strengthens his strength every day. In the midst of conversations and joyful memories of shared moments in the past, the





words were repeated in Arkadia's mouth like a refrain: "May your children not know what war is." Let us entrust Arkadia to the Lord in the words of Psalm 71:18 Even when I am old and gray, do not forsake me, my God, till I declare your power to the next generation, your mighty acts to all who are to come. May the Lord strengthen him in his old age as well as his daughter and granddaughter, so that, like him, they too may be saved in the Messiah of Israel, Yeshua.

It was a wonderful experience for us to participate in the Sabbath meeting in Vinnytsia. There is no greater joy for us than when we see so many of our dear friends for whom Yeshua became Lord and Saviour, worshipping His holy Name together. It was during this meeting that Arkadia celebrated his 87th birthday. With great joy and gratitude to God, we could pray for him together. We



are glad that this small community lives for the Lord and Messiah of Israel, Yeshua. We recommend them to your prayers so that they can continue to grow unhindered for the glory of God.

During our trip to Vinnytsia, we met our dear friends at the cafeterias. These meetings are always a reason for joy because we can share what is most important to us – the Messiah of Israel, Yeshua. All the people who we have met in the cafeteria in Vinnytsia are deeply touched and grateful for this assistance, which is particularly necessary during the ongoing war. Many of them, with tears in their eyes, thanked us for the warm



meal they received during this difficult time. They stressed that during this time of uncertainty, as well as the wave of increasing prices that they severely feel, it is a great help for them and also gives some psychological peace that someone remembers them and cares about them every day. Please accept from all of them their great gratitude.

On the next day of our stay, we went to Mohyliv-Podilskyi, where we met with our dear friends, whose work in the Jewish community is coordinated by Ela.

In Mohyliv-Podilskyi we visited 84-year-old Galina, who survived the war and Holocaust in the Vinnytsia region. He remembers very well those cruel times, when with his grandmother, mother and sister they were still hiding from the Germans, who were tracking them like a game while hunting. By God's grace, they survived until the end of the war. The post-war times were not easy either. In 1945, his mother's brother took them all to Lviv. There, unfortunately, they encountered a powerful wave of anti-Semitism, which,



after what they had experienced, was a very cruel blow to them. Fleeing from hatred, they went deep into Russia, where they breathed a sigh of

relief. It was there that she and her husband served in the Red Army. After the death of her husband, Galina returned to her hometown of Mohyliv-Podilskyi.

We also visited there 64-year-old Anna. In her loneliness, she has many health problems, which are the result of two tragedies that she experienced. One is the death of her husband and the other is the drowning of her only daughter. Although many years have since passed, Anna cannot completely shake off the apathy and the overwhelming lack of loved ones. We ask you to pray for Anna so that the Lord, through His Holy Spirit, would open her heart to salvation in Yeshua and may grant her His peace in this difficult situation.

The 70-year-old Jewgienij who we visited is a very sick man. One of his sons lives and works in Kiev and the other in Mohyliv-Podilskyi. Jewgienij worked his entire professional life in an electronic devices factory. Despite his long years of work, his retirement is so modest that it barely suffices to maintain his apartment. We are grateful to God that Jewgienij can receive dinners at the cafeteria. He said with gratitude that this was an invaluable



help to him. We also ask you to pray for Jewgienij so that the Lord may show him His mercy and salvation.

77-year-old Ida, as a pianist and music teacher, is a very empathetic and sensitive person. Although she is retired, she still has contact with her former students and helps children develop their musical passions free of charge. Unfortunately, progressive diseases increasingly limit Ida and her

contacts. Ida is extremely grateful for the dinners she receives from the cafeteria in Mohyliv-Podilskyi. We are grateful to God that Ida's heart is open to salvation in Messiah Yeshua. Let us bring Ida before the throne of God's grace, asking for her salvation as well as health and strength for daily life.



With great concern, we write to you about our dear colleague Frida, who lost her husband a few months ago. Frida is wholeheartedly dedica-





ted to the ministry and helping the many needy in the Mohyliv-Podilskyi Jewish community. The sudden death of her beloved husband caused Frida an understandable and profound despair from which she cannot shake herself. We ask you to pray for Frida so that, like her husband, she too will accept the Messiah Yeshua, who alone can give comfort and deep peace in her life. Let us also entrust Ela to the Lord in her difficult work and ministry to the local Jewish community.

At the end of our visit to Mohyliv-Podilskyi, we visited Ina, who was born and raised in Bar. For financial reasons, she moved with her husband and children to Mohyliv-Podilskyi. While Ina was living in Bar, the Lord placed in her a special love for the Jewish people whom she wholeheartedly desires to serve. Ina was visited by her mo-



ther Sonia at that time, who lives in Bar and coordinates help for needy members of the Jewish community in that city. We ask you to pray for Ina, that the Lord will open for her the doors to serve the Mohyliv-Podilskyi Jewish community and for her mother Sonia, so that the good God will strengthen her physical and spiritual strength for further fruitful ministry to the Jewish community of Bar.

In Voronovyt'sya we visited the family of Jewgienia, Grigorij and their son Kola. They are among the few Jews living in the area. Our friendship began a few years ago when Kola in a tragic state of health found himself in the intensive care unit of the hospital in Vinnytsia. Only thanks to God's grace, your prayers and practical financial help could Kola survive and although he is still in a long and arduous process of convalescence, he can still be a help for his parents, children and wife, who

works as a non-commissioned officer in the army headquarters in the city of Khmelnytskyi. After these traumatic experiences related to the imminent threat of losing her son's life, Jewgienia fell ill with a heart condition. Unfortunately, this di-



sease progressed inexorably and ended with the surgery of inserting two stents. This was made possible by your prayers and financial support. We pass on to you a lot of gratitude as well as blessings and greetings from this whole family. We ask you to continue to pray for the entire family, and especially that their decision to accept Yeshua as their Lord and Saviour will continue to bear good fruit in their daily lives. *Blessed are those whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the Lord their God. (Psalm 146:5.)*

In Nemyriv, we first met with Pastor Igor and his wife. For many years they have been our dear friends and co-workers in the Lord. The attitude of love and practical help for the few Jews in Nemyriv touches our hearts and is a great encouragement and a beautiful testimony for Jews and non-Jews in this city. Pastor Igor and his wife are



not only involved in the life of the local Baptist Church but are actively helping soldiers fighting the war against Russia, both spiritually and physi-

cally. They continue to care for the needs of the Jewish community in Nemyriv and take care of the graves of those murdered during the Holocaust. Let us pray for God's strength and protection for them in the vast ministry they carry out. *Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.* (Hebrews 4:16)

Together with Pastor Igor, we visited 89-year-old Sonia, who still remembers the pre-war Nemyriv, in which the Jewish community constituted almost 40% of the inhabitants of this town. Unfortunately, Sonia is becoming increasingly ill and needs more and more care and the involvement of third parties. We are grateful to God that, although to a small extent through practical help,



Sonia

we can participate in meeting her most urgent needs. Please pray for Sonia that the Lord, in His faithfulness and grace, will support her in her difficult old age, and above all, that she will not leave this world without knowing Yeshua as her personal Saviour.

On the same day, we arrived in Tulczyn, where we were happy to visit the cafeteria for the most needy in the Jewish community of the city. It was our desire, following the example of our dear Rita, who this year went to the Lord, to continue the practical help and care for the Jews of Tulczyn. Together with Rita's son Jura, we could not have imagined a better way to continue this ministry than to create a cafeteria for the most needy Jews in the community. Thanks to God and



The cafeteria  
in Tulczyn

your prayers and financial commitment, the desires of our hearts have been realized.

In Tulczyn, we visited some people whose needs we support. Among these people was 87-



The needy at the cafeteria in Tulczyn

year-old Sara, who lives alone. She belongs to an increasingly rapidly shrinking group of people who survived the horrors of the Holocaust and World War II. Sara is very grateful for the opportunity to enjoy warm two-course dinners because, for health and financial reasons, she would not be able



Sara



to prepare such nutritious meals. Let us pray for Sara so that in her old age she may know the Messiah, Yeshua.

We also met with 82-year-old Fania, who also survived the Holocaust. It was then, like most Tulczyn Jews, that she was forced to walk on foot to the concentration camp in Piechory, where she miraculously survived hunger, cold and various



diseases. Fania also with gratitude and blessing greets all of you who remember her in prayers and practical support. We thank God for the opportunity to share with Fania the good news of salvation in Yeshua. Our prayer is for Fania to open her heart to her Saviour.

At the end of our stay in Tulchyn, we visited 92-year-old Raja, who like Fania survived the Pie-



chory concentration camp. Thanks to God's grace, together with their mother, they survived this hell and returned to their native Tulczyn, where Raja later established a family and worked as a nurse in the local hospital. We are grateful to God that, despite her illness, Raja still has joy and peace in Messiah Yeshua, whom she trusted with all her heart. We ask you to pray for the strengthening of Rai's health so that with God's help she can function normally in everyday life.

In Kalynivka, we met with 79-year-old Jewgienia. Although she is alone, she enjoys the daily presence of the Yeshua Messiah, to whom she has entrusted her life. Over time, Jewgienia is in-



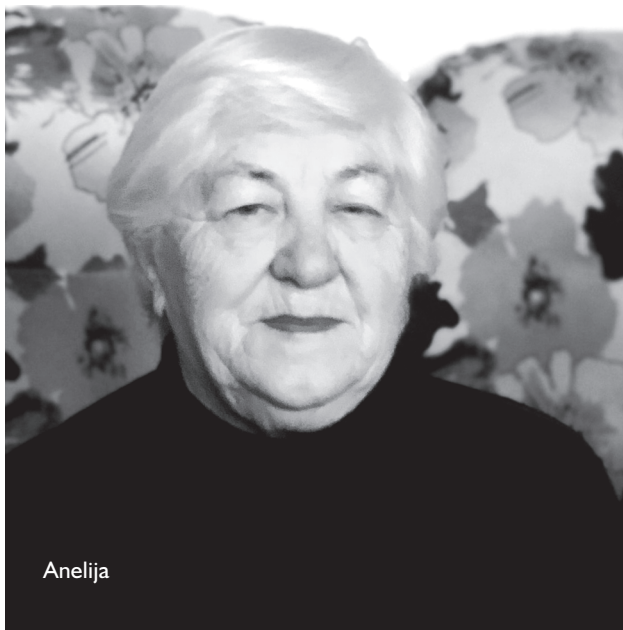
creasingly limited by the illness she is struggling with. However, despite these ailments, it is still a testimony to us that regardless of the situation and the material condition of a person, thanks to the power of Yeshua, one can emanate His love and peace in his surroundings. We entrust Jewgienia to your prayers with gratitude to God, asking God to strengthen, supply, bring health and strength in her illness and needs.

We also visited 79-year-old Raisa, who comes from Sharhorod. Raisa worked as a language proofreader all her life, and then until her retirement, she was an economist. Raisa is extremely grateful for all the help she receives. As she told us: "For many years now, I have felt God's guidance and firmly believe in Him who guides and preserves me." We ask you to pray for Raisa's health and

that Yeshua may be her close friend and Saviour on a daily basis.



In Kalynivka, we visited 78-year-old Anelia, who in this town is responsible for providing assistance to members of the local Jewish community. Anelia's parents survived the German occupa-



tion in Khmelnytskyi. Her grandfather was a cantor in the local synagogue, where he was bestially murdered. Anelia, who grew up in the shadow of the Holocaust tragedy, the consequences of which were experienced by her immediate and extended family, sends her warmest greetings and thanks to all of you with great gratitude. For her, and for all to whom your loving practical help re-

aches, you are a sign of God's love and care in these difficult times for them.

Finally, we visited 82-year-old Ludmila and her daughter Swieta. Years ago, we helped Swieta recover from heart surgery. Swieta continually remembers this help and with a grateful heart, she conveyed thanks for the current help that she also receives. Let us pray for Swieta and her whole



family, that they may be saved in the Messiah Yeshua.

We were also in Sharhorod, once a thriving and prosperous Jewish town. Unfortunately, only a huge synagogue has survived to our times, which testifies to the former splendour of this city's Jewish community and the old cemetery on the hill, near the Murafa River.

Currently, several Jewish families live in Sharhorod. They receive our aid in the form of medicines and food packages. In this small town, we visited Bella and Wiktor, who for many years have been helping us in coordinating aid for the needy





in this city. We ask you to pray for Bella and Wiktor so that the Lord may give them strength and perseverance in the Messiah of Israel, Yeshua. Let us especially pray for the elderly who, as Bella told us, are paralysed by the present war and its threat. Let us ask the Lord himself to encourage them and to pour His peace into their hearts. Unfortunately, our observations show that this is not an isolated case when elderly people, especially those who survived the Holocaust, are in constant trauma and fear for their lives and their loved ones. This is why the help they receive from you is more important than ever before. *When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. In God, whose word I praise in God I trust and am not afraid. What can mere mortals do to me? Psalm 56:3–4*

In Bratslav, we also visited Faina, who received us with great joy and emotion. Faina's mother has recently died. It is a great loss and sadness for her, because she no longer has anyone close to her, and her mother was someone spe-



cial to her, someone who connected the world of pre-war Jewish community in Bratslav with the present. Thanks to the trust Faina placed in Yeshua, she bravely deals with this great loss. She is grateful to God for her children, who live in Israel, but still remember their mother. Our joy is that despite the great burden of the Holocaust and the burden of past generations that Faina had to bear, her heart is filled with an unfathomable peace that is the fruit of her entrusting her heart to the Messiah, Yeshua. As the head of the reli-

gious Jewish community, she is a great testimony to her brethren and many people outside. Please pray for Faina so that her faith would be stronger and that during those moments of trials and circumstances she would, even more, cling to the Saviour Yeshua, who gave His life for us.

After arriving in Khmilnyk, we visited 82-year-old Jewgienij and his wife Galina. Both of them were evacuated to the east of the USSR during the war, and after the war, they came to their hometown of Khmilnyk, where Jewgienij worked in a large clothing factory. By the grace of God, Galina and Jewgienij are in good health, but their son has serious vision problems. We ask you to



pray for this situation and, above all, for the salvation of the whole family.

We also met with 76-year-old Lara and her 85-year-old husband David. David survived the hell of the Holocaust and after the war, he had to rearrange his life, unfortunately without his rela-



tives who were murdered by the Germans. David worked as a teacher and musician, and Lara was a laboratory worker at a local sanatorium. Please pray for this marriage so that the Lord may show them His salvation in the Messiah of Israel, Yeshua.

The last person to visit in Khmilnyk was 83-year-old Katia. The tragic fate of the war and the Holocaust has not been missed by Katia either. As a child, she saw and survived much, but the good God did not allow her to die in the fire of these cruel times. After the war and completed studies, Katia worked as a nurse in the oncology and chemotherapy department of the local hospital in Khmilnyk. A few months before our visit,



Katia's beloved husband died, with whom she lived together for over 60 years. Katia has two children who take care of her as much as possible. We ask you to pray for Katia, that in this situation she may entrust her life to the Lord Jesus, who alone can console her and give her peace.

At the end of our stay in Vinnytsia, we met with Marina and Siergiej who direct the work of the Szamasz Foundation we founded years ago. The Foundation's volunteers were also at this meeting. We thank God for their generous, dedicated, multi-directional work: in cafeterias, in medical projects, organizing food packages, preparing weekly Sabbath meetings. An important part of their ministry is also individual meetings with many people who need not only physical but

also spiritual help. Without their involvement, the ministry we carry out in Ukraine would be much more limited and incomplete. In the last difficult and dangerous time of the war, they also extend this assistance to Jewish war refugees and wounded soldiers.



The Lord made our meeting happen on the birthday of our dear friend Marina. It was therefore a great opportunity to thank God for her fruitful ministry and to ask the Lord for strength and perseverance for her, for Sierioza in this difficult work, in which they often bear the burdens of the many needy who turn to them with various problems. In talking with our dear friends, we have realized how important it is to pray that the Lord would stir up even more willing and faithful servants so that they can visit older and sick people there, have fellowship with them and read to them the Word of God. He told them: "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." Luke 10:2. In our prayers, let us entrust to the Lord everyone who is directly involved in the work of the Szamasz Foundation, that the Lord may add strength, health, and fill them with His Spirit so that they can communicate every day the good news of salvation in the Messiah of Israel – Yeshua.

The last place we visited during our trip to Ukraine was Shepetivka, where with great joy we met with our dear friends Zinow and Roza. Our joy was all the more so because the Lord, in His grace, has recently led them through many difficult moments related to their health and family, which, thanks be to God, they have lived through.





In Shepetivka we visited Raja, who recently financed the heating installation in her apartment. Raja, who lives alone, in the present situation, is



completely dependent on outside help. After the previous injuries she suffered, she is still afraid to leave her home, to not fall again on the road. Raja is very grateful for all the help, especially for the dinners that are brought to her home. Let us entrust Raja to Yeshua so that she would experience daily strengthening and grace for life.

Then we went to the 72-year-old Alik, who a few weeks before our visit experienced the death of his wife. For Alik, this is a very painful and difficult situation, especially since due to progressive diabetes and atherosclerosis, he had to un-



dergo leg amputation. It is very difficult for him, but thanks to the persistent help of Roza and Zinow, Alik is provided with basic care and lunches from the cafeteria in Shepetivka. Please pray for Alik and for the possibility of financing his prosthesis so that he can move around his apartment efficiently. May the Lord himself open his heart to salvation in Messiah Yeshua.

In Shepetivka, we also visited Marina and her husband Oleg. Marina recently lost her mother. She still can't get used to the fact that the person



she loved so much and whom she has cared for so much lately is dead. Let us pray that in this situation both Marina and her husband will trust Yeshua as the only one who can give them eternal salvation as well as peace and comfort.

We also visited Raja, who we supported in the treatment of her liver, for which she is very grateful. By the grace of God, the treatment has pro-



duced the expected results. However, Rai's husband became very seriously ill with kidney failure. We ask you to intercede for this situation and that her husband, like Raja, may trust in the Lord Jesus.

In the end, we met our dear friends during dinner at the cafeteria in Shepetivka. All the participants of this meeting told us with great grati-



tude how last year, which for them and for all of us was a very difficult time, they experienced God's care, protection, and your love, which you continuously demonstrated to them through practical assistance. They pass on the warmest thanks and wishes of God's guidance and blessing for each day.

After our last trip to Ukraine, our hearts are overfilled with joy and gratitude to our Lord that in so many places we were able to meet with our dear friends, not only to give them material aid but above all to share with them the Word that gives life. This is the Word that was sown in their



hearts. We pray that the seed of this Word produces an abundant crop for the glory of the Kingdom of God. Once again, we want to give glory to the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, who through his beloved Son, Yeshua, is faithful to His covenant and does not forget about his people in need. *Not to us, Lord, not to us but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness.* Psalm 115:1 The situation in Ukraine with prolonged war and lack of stabilisation produces in our dear friends great anxiety, fear and concern. In particular, we can see this in older persons, who survived the war and the Holocaust. Their concerns and fears are now even greater because for the elderly the nightmares of the past come alive with renewed force again and again. When looking at what is happening in their country, they are filled with anxiety and fear for their daily existence. The worst situation is among those who are sick, unfortunately, their numbers are increasing. Once, simple medicines that people could purchase from their modest pensions, due to the drastic price increases, are now unattainable for them. For some time now we can observe a very disturbing regularity during our ministry in Ukraine: the older, more ill and infirm are the people whom we serve, the more the economic situation of the country in which they live is getting worse. So we see that the continuation and development of the projects that we currently run are now more necessary than ever before.



On the threshold of this New Year, we realize once again that only by the grace of God and by your faithful and practical commitment to this ministry of mercy in Ukraine does the Lord show us anew that He remembers both their spiritual and material needs, for Israel has not ceased to be His beloved people. When we came to Poland, we remembered countless thanks for your charitable hearts, sacrifices, and prayers, for everything thanks to which our dear friends who are in need can live better and with more dignity. Thanks to this, together we can obey the words

of Jesus from the Gospel of Matthew: I was hungry, thirsty, sick, and you gave me something to eat and drink and visited me. It is thanks to God, who is faithful to His covenant and thanks to you, your prayers and offerings that the work of God's help in Ukraine can continue. May God abundantly reward you for all of this! On behalf of everyone who receives your help full of prayers & love, I pass on to you words of gratitude and greetings along with a blessing.

***Shalom from Oświęcim***

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