

KYIV CONNECTIONS



Prayer Letter of George & Sarah de Vuyst

Serving in Ukraine with Christian Reformed World Missions

Mission & Vision

We envision healthy congregations emerging to bring healing and transformation to lives and communities throughout Ukraine and Eastern Europe's post-communist countries.

Together with our partners in Ukraine, we are training church leaders in Ukraine's post-Soviet, post-Christian, and post-atheist society in order to develop healthy churches with a biblical understanding of Christianity so that the Kingdom of God may transform all spheres of life and society.

Points for Praise

- For faithful supporters! We thank and praise God for you!
- The interest in "Educational Care" and the desire of Ukrainian Christians to provide quality Christian education for their children.
- Successful training of pastors and missionaries from Donetsk and the surrounding region.

Points for Prayer

- This week of planning for the future development of TLT in Ukraine
- Peace in Ukraine and the development of reconciliation ministries
- Traveling mercies!

The end of June marks the end of the Christian Reformed World Missions' calendar year. As we look back over the past



year the words that come to mind are Paul's thanksgiving and prayer for the Philippians:

"I thank my God every time [we] remember you. In all [our] prayers for all of you, [we] always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

It is right for [us] to feel this way about all of you, since [we] have you in [our] heart[s] and, [no matter where we or under what conditions we are working for the advancement of the gospel], all of you share in God's grace with [us]. God can testify how [we] long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus.

And this is [our] prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ - to the glory and praise of God."

We are thankful for each of you, for your prayers and your support of the ministry of the Kingdom here in Ukraine. We have been blessed to be your hands and feet here and are looking forward to what God is going to do in the coming year!

Ministry of Reconciliation



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On Friday, July 3, Sarah and the kids are heading to Silver Spring, Maryland to celebrate the marriage of Sarah's mother, Connie Snyder to Roger Dorris. Thirteen years ago Sarah's father was unexpectedly called home to glory. We give thanks to God for providing Roger for Sarah's Mom and also for allowing Sarah and the kids to participate in the wedding.

On Saturday, July 4, George will be traveling to Kigali, Rwanda, to participate in a three week course in international reconciliation. The "International School of Reconciliation for peace practitioners" is a part of Le Rucher Ministries (lerucher.org). Our prayer is to be able to use this training as a catalyst for developing a ministry of reconciliation in Ukraine that brings healing to the deep wounds caused by the war in the east.



NEW PROJECTS

As we enter a new fiscal year, we have new special projects that we need to raise funds for above and beyond our regular support. Please prayerfully consider partnering in our ministry in Ukraine by making a special gift to one of the following:

de Vuyst vehicle fund

Timothy Leadership Training

Worship Symposium

Next Generation Leaders

Extreme Youth Camps

Give online at www.crwmm.org/donate

Educational Care Launch in Ukraine

We are excited to announce the launch of CRWM's "Educational Care" training in Ukraine.

Earlier this year changes to the laws concerning private education allowed for the opening of Christian schools.

This year two new Christian schools approached us about the need for Educational Care for their teachers. This month

George has worked hard with the translator to prepare the materials for the first module and Sarah and George will be leading the training for 8 teachers on August 14 and 15. We pray that this will open the door into the newly developing world of Christian education in Ukraine and that the Educational Care training would lay a solid foundation for the further development of Christian schools to prepare a generation of young Christians equipped with a love of learning and the worldview understanding necessary to be powerful agents of transformations in both church and society - to the glory and praise of God!

