



NEWSLETTER

The voice of those who escaped from the iron curtain

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Hello Dear Friends,

Can you believe spring is already here? Spring is a wonderful time of the year when the dark winter slowly melts away, trees start blooming, the weather warms up and the days start getting longer. It's wonderful to see nature changing and blooming into spring! But at the same time, it's very apparent how quickly things are changing in our world and the events that are taking place before our very eyes every single day. No matter which continent you live on, you have definitely heard of the Russian invasion of Ukraine on February 24th and things are escalating quickly every day, hour by hour, minute by minute. Miraculously, Covid has disappeared and now the world shifts its focus on a new "fear"- the possibility of WW3. As Christians, this shouldn't surprise us at all or put us in "fear mode" because we KNOW that the return of Christ is near. Jesus warned us about these wars over 2000 years ago and told us that nations would rise against nations. In Matthew 24, Jesus says this,

And you will hear of wars and threats of wars, but don't panic. Yes, these things must take place, but the end won't follow immediately. Nation will go to war against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in many parts of the world. But all this is only the first of the birth pains, with more to come. Matthew 24:6-8

Jesus told us very specifically in Matthew 24 not to panic when we see these things happening! The number one assignment that satan wants to unleash on humanity is to attack the mind with fear, which is a form of panic. Once he attacks with fear, it's a quick, downhill trek. We know that fear cancels out faith (our trust in God) and gives satan legal rights to attack us both physically and spiritually. The devil is after your faith and he attacks with fear because fear is a gateway to so many other things like worry, doubt, unbelief, panic, hopelessness, becoming overwhelmed, anxious and so on. His goal is to get us spiritually sick with fear and to completely lose our Faith in God. In the same way countries guard their borders/territory from the enemy, as Children of God, we need to guard our *spiritual* territory and not allow the devil to take over! We need to attack back! We attack back through the WORD and in prayer (Ephesians 6, Hebrews 4:12). There is no other way to combat the assignments and attacks of the enemy without the Word and prayer. The Word is life. There is hope and peace in the Word of God. And prayer moves mountains! Because whatever we ask in the name of the Son, will be done for us (1 John 5:15).

This is where you and I come in! There is no better opportunity to present the Gospel than when people are in full fear mode. The invasion of Ukraine has brought a lot of fear and panic over people all around the world and as a result, people are hopeless. Many of them have been displaced, leaving their homes, possessions and everything they've worked hard for behind. This is our moment as the Body of Christ to shine bright (Matthew 5:14) in the midst of darkness using the Gospel of Jesus as a tool of **hope** to bring salvation to the lost. The Word of God says this in Psalm 62,

Yes, my soul, find rest in God; my hope comes from him. Truly He is my rock and my salvation; He is my fortress, I will not be shaken. Psalm 62:5,6

For those of you who have been part of our Ministry for some time, you have probably heard (and seen) our Ukrainian singers. They have been part of JMM during various projects and crusades since 1995. And, of course, when we heard about the invasion, we were very concerned about them and their families. One out of the three singers was able to leave Ukraine with his family and is now in Romania. The other two brothers and their families did not leave Ukraine, but we have word that they are safe. In the midst of this invasion, they are using this opportunity to witness to the lost and hopeless people of Ukraine! The other singer that is currently in Romania is using his gift of singing to witness to people at the border.

Please pray for protection over them and their families! Besides the singers and their families, we're receiving numerous calls from Moldova and Romania calling in for prayer and protection. Many of them have loved ones that are still in Ukraine and they are fearful of the possibility of an invasion in their country. As we write this newsletter, we just received word that temperatures have dropped tremendously low and there are a lot of families without power, heat and water. We need to intercede for our brothers and sisters in Christ to remain strong and immovable in the midst of chaos and war.

When the poor and needy search for water and there is none, and their tongues are parched from thirst, then I, the Lord, will answer them. I, the God of Israel, will never abandon them. Isaiah 41:17

The people of Ukraine are near and dear to our hearts because for so many years we have evangelized many areas in southern Ukraine. You've probably heard on the news that there is a lot of humanitarian aid coming into the country, which is wonderful. But ultimately, we as the Body of Christ, have to continue spreading the Gospel and the hope of Jesus to these precious people. Each one of them is priceless in the eyes of God who is *longsuffering and not wanting any of them to perish but to come to repentance* (2 Peter 3:9). Our heart here at JMM is and *always has been* to reach the lost and forgotten ones! God has NOT forgotten the people of Ukraine! And He never will. We are praying to see what God wants us to do in the future and how to continue to spread the Gospel in Eastern Europe. Besides our programs that are aired on various networks in Europe, our Facebook Lives are still reaching thousands of people in remote areas of this part of the world, almost daily. The response has been overwhelmingly great! So many are reaching out for salvation, deliverance and healing. A lot of the responses we receive are from people with broken hearts. We know from Isaiah 61:1 that *the Lord heals the brokenhearted, gives liberty to the captives and opens prison doors to those who are bound.*

Please keep our Ministry in your prayers as we continue to spread the Gospel on every network and voice that we have available to us; especially in Eastern Europe. As you keep us in your prayers, we recently discovered that we are in need of some updated production equipment here at JMM. We specifically need to replace two production computers that we use for sound, capturing and editing our programs. We also need to replace camera cables. We believe God will come through for us like He did two years ago when we replaced major production and sound equipment. We are so thankful and appreciative for each one of you, dear partners. You are such a big part of this Ministry and without you, we could not reach the multitudes for Christ. Like we've mentioned so many times, you are *always* in our prayers, friends. We speak divine protection over you and your loved ones. We pray that God will multiply your seed as you have been faithful to the work of this Ministry. We speak the blessings of Luke 6:38 over you! We love each one of you!

In His Service,
John & Alexandra