



## DESNA & GONCHAROVSK, UKRAINE 3rd Quarter 2010 Report

### Summer 2010

We would like to express sincere gratitude to all of our church and all the people who participated in a medical project. For our church it was the first experience, and we do not know how it all will be, and how people would react. But during the project we saw how God works. American doctors took 80 people and gave them a personal attention and many people were very impressed. The arrival of a group of physicians has brought good publicity to our church, and many people visited the doctors. I personally saw the effectiveness of such a project in reaching the lost. Many people I met and had personal contact never came to our church before. In the evening there was a meeting, and one woman respond to reconcile with God during the invitation. This woman could hardly walk, she had problems with her feet, and if the doctors would not have come we wouldn't no about it. I think that such projects to serve in Desna and Goncharovsk would serve as a great blessing.



Pray with us:

- 1) For the people who participated in the medical project, that they realized the need of the church.
- 2) For the woman who repented.



During July, we held our annual evangelistic tent camp, with thirty-eight young adults. We held it for six days on the Desna River, where we could share the Gospel with unbelievers. A lot of people who came to this camp heard about Christ for the first time. And I am very grateful to God for the opportunity to be an instrument in His hands. The whole team worked to make the campers feel comfortable and not afraid to be themselves. During the day we swam, played different games, but in the evening around the fire the most important thing things happened: we shared the Gospel, learned songs, talked about different topics.

The second night I called all the boys to pray the Lord's Prayer, and to my surprise almost all

the guys were praying. The next evening after the sermon we gave an altar call and urged them to pray a prayer of repentance, and fifteen people prayed the prayer of repentance. I thanked God for His involvement and asked that the Lord would hear this prayer and save these young people.

One of the highlights of camp was that this year some of the organizers of the camp guys who attended just to rest in the past years as campers, but in this camp volunteered to help in the kitchen, and also helped with discipline, explaining that this is a Christian camp.

When I was finishing a sermon, one girl, Christine, said, "Igor, keep going. Tell us something else," and a lot

of guys started to say yes, "Tell us more." After camp Christina told me that when she arrived home, she started to teach her son to pray before eating.

Dima told that the camp had changed his attitude toward his family. Artem testified about his faith and says he wants to be baptized; he asked us to pray for his growth in Christ.

One fellow named Pasha had asked me to accept him and a friend of his for camp. But I knew that Pasha has problems with drugs and did not want to take him. But he begged and promised that he would not be a hindrance, but to the contrary, he had hopes that the camp would be a positive influence on his life. In camp, we talked a lot with Pasha, and on returning home, he asked me to help him to go to the rehabilitation center in Ternopil [started by another BIEM missionary, Vitaly Bilyak].

One guy, Sasha, told me that he had long argued with his friend about God, and his friend for a long time argued that he was an atheist. When Sasha returned home after camp and told the friend how cool it was in the camp, that friend asked him what to do to put faith in God. Sasha said, "Let's start by going to church tomorrow." When Sasha's friend came to church and talked with the people there, he said, "I did not think it was even possible to live this way."

Dear friends, please pray for these young adults.

Sincerely,  
Igor Fomichov

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## September 2010

This month our church has been blessed by many things. First and foremost, there was the baptism of brother Oleg, who repented and placed his faith in Jesus Christ a year ago, but before that spent 12 years in drug addiction. Now this brother serves the church with a great zeal with all his gifts, sincerely devoting his life to God.

Another joy was the arrival of brothers from America, who worked [doing reconstruction work] so that our ministry to military personnel might soon be up and running. Our friends devoted the whole week to performing construction and repair with zeal and diligence.

This month the Sunday school ministry began, and about 15-20 children attend it. Recently, the children said that they already know the story of the Tower of Babel, because they read it at school during the school reading lessons. In school they also teach the basic history of the Bible, although many teachers refer to these stories assumptions. But the kids who go to Sunday school with certainty affirm that everything that God has written is the truth and reality. Also inspiring are the stories of the children who tell about how God helps them to prepare lessons or to find a common language with their parents when they turn to Him with requests in prayer.

A new ministry for us was a group for moms dedicated to Biblical relationship-building with children and families. An unsaved woman named Oksana now comes to it. For the first time at this group she prayed for her family and said that those truths which God revealed in the Bible are very important and that she wants to learn more about them. We hope that in the near future to this group will come two more unsaved women, to whom we will be able to testify and invite them to church.

Prayer needs:

- 1) For God to send a leader for the music ministry
- 2) For young unsaved women to come to the group for young mothers.