

# BIEM's of Light

Monthly praises and prayer requests from:

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## *P*raises – Rejoice with us!

- ❖ On May 5, we received news from Central Asia: “Big praise, we had 10 more Afghanis come to faith in Jesus Christ this week, and they were all in the services today.” On May 6, this arrived: “Praising God, one of our Afghani girls just led a Tajik university student to faith in Christ!”
- ❖ Update! Our container of humanitarian aid did arrive in Poland. Today it left the port aboard a truck and is expected at its Ukrainian destination on May 8. We praise the Lord for the relatively quick transport of this shipment compared to some past delivery delays.
- ❖ On Sunday, May 5, the large Temple of Salvation Baptist Church ordained 9 new deacons. One of those 9 was Misha Buyko, the son of BIEM's director in Ukraine, Eugene Buyko. Praise God for youth who grow in grace and the knowledge of the Lord and accept leadership roles!
- ❖ In Kyiv, Ukraine, we are thrilled that 40 students have been able to attend the spring session of the seminary despite the difficulties caused by the war. May every student benefit from the blessing of intense Biblical teaching but also from the fellowship and camaraderie that develops lifelong ministry relationships!

## *P*ray – Pray with us!

- ❖ During the seminary session mentioned above, two students received word that Russia had bombed their hometown near Kharkiv. Civilians suffered. Via those students, BIEM passed along funds for their home church to assist victims. Please pray for an end to such bombings.
- ❖ Starting in mid-May, BIEM has scheduled our missionary Vitaly Bilyak to be in the U.S., where he will speak in churches and assist us with war relief items. Please pray for safe travels with no obstructions at the Ukrainian border or elsewhere.
- ❖ June will kick off our summer camp season in various lands of Eastern Europe. We are so thankful for the \$19,900 BIEM has received so far for camps. However, our goal of \$50,000 for camps remains beyond our reach. We don't know how the Lord might provide, but we know our God is able. Would you join us in praying for funds for these evangelistic summer camps?
- ❖ Ukraine is reportedly seeking 250,000 men for its military. This could affect BIEM in multiple ways. Under new guidelines, younger men and even men with disabilities can be conscripted. Military personnel are showing up at construction sites and conscripting workers. Please pray that our people will be allowed to continue their ministries.

Dear friends, the invasion of Ukraine compels BIEM to take extraordinary measures. Please log onto our website, [BaptistInternational.org](http://BaptistInternational.org), for information on BIEM's War Relief Efforts. Thank you!

“... Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel.” Mark 16:15



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