

Yurchenko

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October & November

Romans 8:37-39: "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus or Lord."

Peace be to you, dear friends!

First, I want to thank you for your prayers, for your care for us, and for the support. Thank you very much! May the Lord reward you 100 times over!

For us, this month has been a month of trials. We, along with all of our close family members, fell sick from Covid-19. My parents had a very hard time with this sickness. For more than 10 days, they had high fevers. Their lungs worked at only 50% capacity. Nadezhda (Alyona's mother), Vitaly, and Ira were in the hospital. And even though treatment is supposedly free, in our country we end up having to pay for everything. But, praise God, everyone is alive.

Alyona and I were also at home for a full month. For 2 weeks, we had fevers and hurt all over. But then it got better. Alyona still has some remnants from the sickness; her feet hurt. But we hope that this will pass.

During our time of being in quarantine, we held church services by Zoom. Everyone has been waiting for the day when we could once again see one another in church. And this day has finally come. We again, we are able to gather together to worship our Lord.

We thank you over and over, dear friends, for your prayers! Continue to keep us in your prayers. Many believers are still hurting. May the Lord bless you!

December

We are drawing toward the end of the very most unusual year in the life of our church. Of course, we have had various trials and joys, but we've never experienced such uncertainty and such a lack of opportunities to minister as we're accustomed to having.



Not including January of 2020, when we were able to minister to children in a big way, all the rest of these months passed with practically little outreach due to the pandemic. True, in the summer we managed to hold a short children's camp. And our puppet theater was able to perform for the children, which brought us some encouragement. We had prayed and asked the Lord concerning opportunities to minister to children, but that ministry was quite limited.

We did manage to help a number of families and to assist them materially. After all,

Covid-19 brought adjustments to our lives. We succeeded in gathering and sending humanitarian aid for refugees from the east and for those suffering in western Ukraine. There's another joyful event that brightened this difficult year. We baptized Rita Schurenko. Thanks be to the Lord!

Then came December and Christmas. Without a doubt, this holiday makes things bri and joyful. And even though we were, once again, limited in our actions and possibilities, the holiday celebration was a success. We celebrated it as one family. There were many guests, but when I called them guests, they corrected me and said, "We aren't guests. We are one family in God." That was nice to hear. This was indeed a joyful and blessed service. The children were very grateful for their Christmas gifts, which they were able to receive thanks to you, dear friends. Thank you very much!





We are immeasurably thankful to you for your prayers, for your material aid, for your love toward us, and for your good, loving hearts! May the Lord bless you and reward you one hundred times over! We don't know what 2021 will bring us, but we know one thing—the Lord is with us! We are happy that we comprise one big family in the Lord all around the world. We ask that you continue praying for us, and we in turn will be praying for you.

All of our church thanks you and sincerely greets you. We believe that, with the Lord Jesus Christ, we will overcome and accomplish that to which we are called. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, dear brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus!

Sincerely yours, Vitaly Yurchenko