

The Eternal Fruit of



Immanuel's Child

2016-2017



... that the generation to come might know ... (Psalm 78:6)

We are thankful to the Lord—and to you, our faithful partners—for yet another tremendous season of children’s ministry through the SGA-sponsored *Immanuel’s Child* (IC) Christmas outreach. This year, evangelical churches in 11 nations participated: Russia, Belarus, Ukraine, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, and Israel. Here are some excerpts from some of the wonderful reports we have received. May you be encouraged as you read!

We are thankful to you for your efforts to bless Ukrainian children! God granted us wonderful opportunities to proclaim the Gospel to the families who didn’t know the Lord as Savior



17,273 Children Reached with the Gospel
12,270 Children from Unbelieving Families
8,668 Adults Reached, 492 Adults Began Attending Church
1,079 Children Began Attending Sunday School
461 Children Repented and Trusted in Christ
121 Adults Repented and Trusted in Christ

yet. You helped us buy the children gifts containing mittens, hats, socks, sweets, fruit, cookies, shampoo and soap, toothbrushes and toothpaste, children's Bibles, and calendars. We visited a family, where four boys are being cared for by their grandparents because their father has to work in Siberia. After we sang carols, we invited them all to the service. The boys came with their grandfather and heard the story of Jesus Christ's birth. Afterward they received gifts and invitations to our Sunday school and Christian camp. They "flew" home—their grandfather thanked us several times as he had never seen the boys so happy! We pray for the sown Word to bear good fruit and for the Holy Spirit to draw them to salvation.

**Pastor Vladimir Kachmarchyk
Lvov, Ukraine**

Thank you for the gift and the Christmas service. I enjoyed everything. I would like to attend Sunday school and believe in God like you. Thank you for inviting me to the church!

Sasha, age 9

I enjoyed the Christmas program. I didn't know it would be so good and interesting. I would like to learn more about God and Jesus Christ. Thank you for the Christmas gift and children's Bible.

Margarita, age 10

Thank you so much for such a wonderful Christmas service. My children were very happy with what they saw and heard. The program was interesting for both adults and children, and the children were overwhelmed with joy at the gifts. Please accept my special thanks for the children's Bible. I have dreamed for a long time to have such a book and read about God to my children. Now I have that opportunity. Thank you!

Nadezhda, a young mother

I thank you so much for your support of Immanuel's Child. You have donated not only finances, but you also invested a part of your love from your hearts. As a result of the Christmas ministry, five new children have begun to attend Sunday school, and a number of other children who want to come. A number of adults have also begun to attend Sunday church services. Thank you for your love, dedication, and sacrificial hearts in this ministry, which brings glory to God!

Pastor Yury Romanchik, Belarus

We showed a puppet play called "The Three Magi," which gave us the opportunity to tell of the newly born King and the real background of the Lord Jesus' birth. After the play, we asked the children questions to consider, and told them why Christmas is not a fairy tale, and also shared the Gospel. We sang Christmas songs and gave gifts to the children at the end. Many thanked us for the program, with several children now coming to our children's club at the Central Church, and others to Sunday school at the Resurrection of Christ Church. We are thankful for these opportunities to tell children about the birth of the Savior and His coming to the world. And we thank you for your share in our ministry!

Sergei Kalinin, children's team leader, Russia

