



Slavic Gospel Association

Prayer & Praise

SHARING THE GOSPEL • EQUIPPING THE CHURCH • HELPING THE FORGOTTEN

Please join us each day this month in prayer and praise for the work of Christ across Russian-speaking nations.

Scripture Theme of the Month:

But as for you, speak the things which are fitting for sound doctrine (Titus 2:1).

1 Reflection: Let us begin the new month with the call of King David . . . *O Lord, I call upon You; hasten to me! Give ear to my voice when I call to You! May my prayer be counted as incense before you . . . (Psalm 141:1-2).*

2 Even in March, many parts of the former Soviet Union remain bitterly cold. Pray for the faithful SGA-sponsored missionary pastors—especially in war-torn Ukraine—as they distribute food parcels and other needed humanitarian aid—and seek open doors for the Gospel.

3 Please intercede in prayer today for SGA president Michael Johnson. In addition to overall leadership of our mission, Michael also serves as SGA's chief advancement/development officer in charge of raising ministry resources for the churches we serve. May God grant him abundant wisdom and direction.

4 Pray today for SGA's international offices and their teams in Canada, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and Australia. Ask for God's continual blessings as they make ministry opportunities in the former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe known in their respective countries.

UKRAINE



5 Intercede in prayer for the SGA-sponsored Irpen Biblical Seminary, led by Dr. Igor Yaremchuk. We praise and thank God for the way He has enabled classes to continue despite the havoc of war in the country. Ask for His continued protection over the faculty and students.



6 Please pray for Ruslan Muratayev, director of SGA's Kiev Regional Ministry Center. Ruslan has had a series of health challenges over the past year including a heart attack. Pray for his full recovery, with thanksgiving for his faithful, diligent service.

7 As the war in Ukraine rages on, many missionary pastors have sent their wives and families to safety elsewhere while they remain behind to carry on ministry. Please pray for

peace to come and for all of the families to be reunited.

8 Pray for Anatoly, an SGA-supported missionary pastor who has been distributing firewood to needy widows and war-affected families in Ukraine. He also is maintaining a vibrant children's ministry in the midst of the challenges. We are thankful for this faithful brother and his love for Christ.



9 Please remember SGA's Sergei Omelchenko and his family in prayer today. We praise and thank the Lord for their years of faithful service to Christ in Ukraine and across the former Soviet Union.

RUSSIA



10 Since the war in Ukraine was launched last February, there has been considerable pressure on religious leaders across Russia not to publicly oppose the war. Pray for our brothers and sisters as they remain focused on the Gospel and sharing Christ's love with their people.

11 Pray today for Dr. Piotr Mitskevich, president of the Russian UECB. We are thankful for his servant leadership and

commitment to biblical truth. May the Lord bless and encourage Piotr in his ministry today.

12 SGA-sponsored missionary pastor Viktor ministers in Russia's Kursk region, and while he enjoys fruitful ministry, there are also challenges from groups opposed to evangelical churches. Please lift him and his ministry in prayer, especially with Sunday school children and new believers.

13 Pray for Russian UECB national youth leader Vitaly Zanin as he coordinates many outreaches across the country, especially with summer camps, float trips, and other ministry activities.

14 In addition to UECB president Dr. Piotr Mitskevich, there are seven regional vice presidents in the UECB who oversee large territory divisions across Russia's 11 time zones. Intercede for these faithful servants today as they carry out their busy ministries.

15 Pray for SGA's Moscow RMC staff, which is led by Valery Kazakov. May the Lord encourage their hearts and provide for their needs as they serve in Russia's huge capital city.

CENTRAL ASIA, CAUCASUS, & ISRAEL

16 SGA's Bible training director in Israel continues to travel across the country holding Bible lessons and encouraging Russian-speaking congregations at every opportunity. Please lift him and his family in prayer today.

17 Across Central Asia, we are hearing more reports of the Lord drawing Muslims to Himself in saving faith. Please join us in thanksgiving, and pray for these new believers as they can encounter significant opposition and pressure after coming to Christ.

18 Tensions remain high between Azerbaijan and Armenia over the disputed Nagorno-Karabakh region, despite a cease fire being in place. Please pray for SGA-supported missionary pastors and their churches in both nations as they proclaim the peace of Christ.

19 Pray today for Pastor Kamil Abdullaev, leader of the UECB churches in Tajikistan. Ask for God's wisdom and direction for Kamil as he and his fellow pastors serve in a challenging ministry environment.

20 Although much attention has been on helping Ukrainian churches reach out to war refugees for the past year, Compassion Ministry continues to be a vitally important SGA-supported outreach across the other former Soviet nations. Please pray for many Gospel opportunities to result as needy families receive help.

21 Pray for the SGA-sponsored Almaty Bible Institute in Kazakhstan. May the Lord grant abundant resources to expand the reach of ABI, as well as that of the other SGA-sponsored seminaries and Bible institutes in the former Soviet Union.

BELARUS



22 We are thankful to the Lord for His provision through

SGA's Minsk RMC. Intercede for director Piotr Podrez and his faithful team today as they serve churches across the nation of Belarus.

23 In Belarus' Gomel region, SGA-sponsored missionary pastor Alexander Kulakov is distributing food parcels provided through SGA and the Children's Hunger Fund. As Alexander labors, pray that many needy families will be drawn to Christ as they experience His loving care.

24 Intercede in prayer for Pastor Leonid Mihovich, president of the Belarussian UECB. Please also lift up the faculty and students of the SGA-supported Minsk Theological Seminary, which Leonid also leads.

25 Please remember to pray for the SGA-sponsored children's camp at Kobrin, Belarus. In addition to their normal function of providing rest and diagnostic care for needy children, the camp has also hosted hundreds of war refugees from Ukraine. May many be won to Christ through the life-changing Gospel as it is shared.



26 With drug and alcohol abuse rampant across the former Soviet Union, church-based drug rehab ministries supported by SGA partners are reaching many with the

Gospel and helping addicts break free from bondage. Join us in thanking the Lord for the way He is setting people free through Christ!

27 Pray for the SGA-sponsored *Orphans Reborn* ministry in Russia and her neighboring countries. Ask God to raise up more workers and locations to reach more of these lonely, forgotten children with the Gospel.

28 Many Bible-preaching churches are still following up from *Immanuel's Child* Christmas ministries this past January. May many children who heard of Christ's love respond to the Gospel and come to Him in saving faith.

29 Continue to pray regularly for SGA's active senior missionaries—Ruth

Deyneka Erdel, Florence Daneliuk, and Andrew Semenchuk. Also lift our retired missionaries in prayer as they continue to serve Christ each day as He brings opportunities.

30 It will be a few months yet before summer camp season begins across the former Soviet Union. Please pray in advance for the resources needed to reach even more children with the Gospel, and to increase the number of church camps SGA is able to support.

31 Reflection: We close March remembering the Lord's words as we faithfully share the Gospel . . . *The one who listens to you listens to Me, and the one who rejects you rejects Me; and he who rejects Me rejects the One who sent Me* (Luke 10:16).

Partner Prayer Requests

For the salvation of family and new Bible study . . .

Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Pray for ongoing healing . . .

Metlakatla, Alaska

For my son's salvation . . .

East Peoria, Illinois

Pray for patience and family health . . .

Hebron, Maine

For wisdom and direction . . .

Rexford, Kansas

The SGA staff is honored to bring your request to the Lord. We thank you for the opportunity to serve you in this way.



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