



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 you are a chosen family, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light (1 Peter 2:9).

1 Reflection: We begin the new month with King David's thankful praise of God . . . *I will give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with all my heart, and will glorify Your name forever. For your lovingkindness toward me is great (Psalm 86:12-13).*

2 It is still a few months to Christmastime, but please pray in advance for churches participating in the SGA-supported *Immanuel's Child* outreach this year. We pray that another record number of children will be reached with the Gospel.



3 Continue to lift SGA president Michael Johnson in prayer as he leads our mission. Our field of ministry continues to change rapidly, and our leadership team constantly seeks God's wisdom in charting our course ahead.

4 Pray today for SGA missionary Chris Osiecki as he continues to work with churches in Poland that are helping with outreach and aid to Ukrainian war refugees. We praise and thank God for the opportunity to assist the churches in their fruitful ministries.

RUSSIA



5 Please intercede in prayer today for the SGA-sponsored Novosibirsk Biblical-Theological Seminary in Russia. There are 247 students enrolled, including six extension centers literally from one end of the country to the other. We praise God for His gracious provision!

6 Please intercede in prayer for Vitaly Zanin, national youth leader for the Russian Union of Evangelical Christians-Baptists (UECB). Ask the Lord to open even more doors for fruitful ministry to young people across the country.

7 Pray for the staff and students at SGA's Moscow Regional Ministry Center (RMC), led by Valery Kazakov.

Ask for God's constant protection and provision during these days of heightened, war-related tensions in Russia.

8 Please intercede for SGA-sponsored missionary pastor Dmitri R. in Russia's Ivanovo region. Dmitri and his church have a vibrant, fruitful youth ministry, and are praying to reach even more with the Gospel in the days ahead.

9 Lift Dr. Piotr Mitskevich, president of the Russian UECB, in prayer today. We are thankful for this faithful brother and his example of servant leadership of Russia's largest evangelical fellowship.

10 Continue to pray for SGA-supported missionary Mikhail and aviation ministry in Far East Russia. This is such a huge region with many villages that have yet to hear the Gospel, yet are remote and difficult to reach.



BELARUS



11 Piotr Podrez is the director of SGA's Minsk RMC in Belarus. Pray for Piotr, his son and assistant Dima, and the RMC team as they serve evangelical churches in Belarus with joy.

12 With the war in neighboring Ukraine, concerns have been expressed internationally about the potential of Belarus being drawn into the conflict. Pray that the war does not escalate any further, and that the Lord will bring lasting peace.

13 Pray for Viktor, an SGA-supported missionary pastor who travels across Belarus' Grodno region engaging in Compassion Ministry and one-on-one evangelism. Ask the Lord to open many hearts to the Gospel.

14 Pray for the faculty and students of the SGA-sponsored Minsk Theological Seminary, where the fall term is beginning. Especially lift up seminary president Leonid Mihovich in his leadership duties.

15 SGA-supported missionary pastors continue to carry out Compassion Ministry in Belarus, distributing food parcels and evangelistic literature to needy families in different regions. Intercede in prayer for them today.



UKRAINE



16 Please keep in prayer Ruslan Muratayev, director of SGA's Kiev Regional Ministry Center



(RMC). Ask the Lord to protect him and his health as he maintains the difficult task of helping the churches in the midst of a war.



17 Our hearts are broken for our brothers and sisters in eastern Ukraine, especially those who live in the region where the Nova Kakhovka Dam was destroyed, creating a devastating flood. Pray for the resources to get them as much aid as we can through the churches.

18 We thank the Lord for the SGA-sponsored Irpen Biblical Seminary, their commitment to the Gospel and biblical truth. Pray for seminary president Dr. Igor Yaremchuk, the faculty, and students.

19 Intercede for Pastor Valery Antonyuk, president of the Ukrainian UECB. Continue to ask for God's wisdom as he and his fellow pastors lead the church during these days of trial for the country.

20 Lift SGA-supported missionary pastor Ivan in prayer as he ministers in Ukraine's Novoivanovka region. Compassion Ministry continues to open many doors for the Gospel there.

CENTRAL ASIA, CAUCASUS, & ISRAEL

21 Evangelical ministry in the former Soviet Central Asian nations where Islam is dominant is difficult, and at times dangerous. Please pray for our brothers and sisters in these regions, asking for God's protection as they faithfully witness for Christ.

22 We praise and thank the Lord for the opportunity to help Russian-speaking congregations in Israel. Pray for our training coordinator there, and our partners at Israel College of the Bible.

23 The former Soviet nations where SGA works in Central Asia are Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, and Tajikistan. Join us in intercessory prayer for the missionary pastors and churches there, and for ongoing Gospel opportunities.

24 Lift Almaty Bible Institute director Alexander Karyakov in prayer today. With a new fall term beginning, ask the Lord for God's blessing on the students as they dig deeply into the truths of God's Word.

25 With severe poverty continuing and approaching winter, pray for SGA-sponsored Compassion Ministry in the Caucasus regions, which includes countries like Azerbaijan, Georgia, and Armenia. Such timely aid opens many doors for the Gospel!

26 Pray today for Garland Gould, SGA vice president of partner engagement. As part of his service, Garland also helps partners who are interested in exploring planned giving options. We are thankful for his giftedness in these important areas.

27 Please remember to pray for SGA's international offices in Canada, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, and Australia. May the Lord continue and increase His blessing in their service to Christ.

28 Please remember to pray for the follow-up ministry that will be taking place for SGA-supported

summer camp ministries. We praise and thank God that the relationships that begin in camp can bear Gospel fruit in subsequent months.

29 Pray for the SGA-sponsored *Orphans Reborn* ministry across the former Soviet Union. Ask God to move in the hearts of orphanage leadership to welcome the teams, and open doors to share Christ's love.

30 **Reflection:** We conclude the month with the wonderful reflection of King David . . . *How blessed is he who considers the helpless; the Lord will deliver him in a day of trouble* (Psalm 41:1).

Partner Prayer Requests

For pain relief . . .

Forest Grove, Oregon

Suffering from severe arthritis . . .

Sappington, Missouri

Pray for continued healing . . .

Dickenson, North Dakota

Please pray for my brother and business . . .

Jesus Maria, Peru

Pray for ongoing wisdom . . .

Goose Creek, South Carolina

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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