

October 2018

Our mission: Help people learn to value life from conception to death and receive God's love, forgiveness and gift of eternal life.

Highlights

- Dedication of our new building in June 2018



Since our last newsletter, God has moved and provided in amazing ways! We shared with you our need to find a new place to rent for the center and our desire to raise the funds to eventually purchase a place of our own. In the process of looking for a new rental, God brought us to a building that was for sale at an incredible price. It was in an excellent location, and even with essential remodel, it cost far less than our estimated budget. After much prayer and consultation with the board of Choose Life, we decided to move forward with the purchase. God provided all of the funds necessary for the purchase and needed renovation so that we could move in June of this year. Pastor Lonya German from our Board donated innumerable hours of work as project manager. Luba Abramova heroically attacked all the documentation and finances. Many gave of their time and resources to make this new center a reality. We are still working on some details like shelving and advertising. The process of getting all of the utilities in our name and other paperwork done is still ongoing, but praise the Lord, we are enjoying serving clients in our new building. Lord willing, next summer a team will come to replace the roof for us. Praise the Lord with us for His wonderful provision that we trust will be a blessing to the ministry for many years to come! Please continue to pray as we work on finishing up paperwork and other details.

Looking forward

This fall we will be visiting Odessa churches to promote the ministry of Choose Life. Pray that God will motivate more people to be involved through prayer, giving, spreading the word, or becoming a volunteer. We plan to conduct training for new volunteers in early 2019 and are trusting God to provide us with the people we need to continue developing this ministry. We also hope to train new FSF group leaders in the summer of 2019.

Story of God at Work

During the first months of this year, a client in a very difficult situation visited our old facility early in her pregnancy. She was under intense pressure to abort from family and the father of the baby. After her initial visit and free sonogram, she was no longer answering her phone and the center lost contact with her. We assumed she had chosen abortion. About a month ago, she showed up at our new facility in her 7th month of pregnancy. She had lost her phone, which is why she had not responded to our calls. By the time she decided to try to connect with us again, we had moved, and she did not know how to find us. She “just happened” to find one of our fliers with our new address and phone numbers at a bus stop! Thus, she was able to get in touch with us again. Her situation is still a difficult one and the father of the baby has not been interested in helping her, but we have been able to encourage her and help her prepare for the birth of her baby in late October. Pray that God will give us wisdom as we seek to help V, and that she will become open to spiritual things.



Tribute



In September one of our precious volunteers went home to be with the Lord after a long battle with cancer. Lilya had a great impact on several of our clients and was a blessing to all of us who had the privilege of working with her. Pray for her husband Zhenya and her teenaged son Nikita as they adjust to this loss. Pray that God will continue to use her testimony to draw others to Christ, including some of our clients with whom she worked.

Specific Prayer Needs

Post-Abortion Ministry: Ministry Director Ira Luponova. New Forgiven & Set Free small group Bible studies are ongoing this fall. Pray for healing for the ladies involved, for wisdom for each leader, and especially for the salvation of one participant. We hope to train new leaders from Odessa and eastern Ukraine in 2019.

Women’s Center: Ministry Director Luba Abramova. Pray that we will be able to complete the documentation necessary to transfer all the utilities into our name. Pray for God to continue to bring new clients in need to our center. Pray for wisdom as to what advertising venues to pursue.

Choose Life Board & Leadership: Pray for new board members and for the completion of our administrative policy manual. Pray for Dr. Miriam and Holly as they work through the transition of leadership of the ministry to Holly in preparation for Dr. Miriam’s departure from Ukraine in May 2019.

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