

Update from Holly February 2020

The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly. John 10:10

This is one of my favorite verses because I feel like it so well expresses what prolife ministry is all about. The enemy brings death and destroys life, but Christ brings true abundant life now as well as eternal life for the future. We can often see the battle between death and life going on in the lives of our Women's Center clients. Recently we have had several clients who have begun studying the Bible with their counselor using the Story of Hope. The client I have been working with agreed to begin the Story of Hope and it has been a battle to get past the first lesson. First there were work conflicts, and now she has been struggling again with her addiction to alcohol. Pray that God will help "A" to see how desperately she needs God's help in order to see real changes in her life. Another single mom agreed to do the study. She has a brother who is a believer, but told us she decided religion was not for her. However, her counselor was able to convince her to do the study, so that she could truly understand before she rejects the message of the gospel. Pray that God will give her counselor Evelyn wisdom

as she works with her and that the amazing grace and love of God in the redemptive story will soften her heart.

One of our goals this year for Choose Life is to begin more actively teaching abstinence to young people. We have developed a series of 4 lessons using the Willing to Wait material. We plan to begin by teaching in some church outreaches, with the goal of eventually getting into schools. This month we are teaching our 4 lessons for the first time in the village of Zarya where we also hold a monthly clinic. The kids who come to this club are from unsaved families. They responded well to our first



lessons, and we look forward to teaching them again this Saturday. Pray for God to bless as we prepare our lessons and that God will work in hearts. We have 3 volunteers Katya, Angela, and Tanya who have helped develop the lessons and are helping with teaching. Pray for them as well. Whenever we take a step forward in developing this ministry it seems as if one or more of them experience some difficulties in their personal lives.

Praise the Lord one of our clinic patients recently began attending church and publicly prayed a prayer of repentance for salvation. She is from the village of Sahanskoye, and is the sister-in-law of the church leader Styopa who lost his wife Tanya to cancer a little over a year ago. I have had the opportunity to visit with several other friend's and relatives of Tanya's about eternity since her death. Pray that God will draw more of these loved ones of Tanya's to salvation. Thank you for your faithful prayers for the ministry here in Ukraine!

Praising God for His abundant life,
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