

Update from Holly May 2020

And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. Galatians 6:9

I don't know about you, but I have grown a bit weary of zoom meetings and trying to avoid contact with people. But I also have much to be thankful for! The number of COVID cases in Ukraine has not been as many as was feared and the number of new cases is now less each day. Our restrictions were not as tight as in some countries, so I have still been able to



occasionally meet up with friends. Since I live alone, that has been a wonderful blessing. We were able to deliver medications to our village clinic patients and have Women's Center clients stop by the center to pick up their humanitarian aid. Our restrictions are now gradually being relaxed and we are looking forward to resuming more of our ministries in person with extra precautions in place. In some ways this forced slowdown has given me some much needed time for rest and refreshment, but my heart is also yearning for more face to face fellowship with the body of Christ and for more contact with my friends who so

desperately need to know and understand God's love and care for them during these difficult days. So, let us not grow weary in doing good even during these challenging days and continue praying and trusting the Lord for a harvest of revival in the church and salvation of lost souls!

It has been awhile since I asked for prayer for one of the Women's Center clients I have been personally working with. "A" struggles with an alcohol addiction, but had been doing better recently. We have started studying the Story of Hope together and she was actively participating and doing extra Bible reading. But, for the last almost two weeks I have not been able to get in touch with her. Would you pray that God would draw her to Himself and that I would again be able to contact her? In my last letter I asked prayer for a new client who had recently discovered she was pregnant and had been considering abortion. Praise the Lord she has stayed firm in her decision to give life to her baby and has been having regular counseling sessions by phone with one of our volunteers.

Lord willing, we will be opening the Women's Center again on May 26th. We will be more strict about scheduling to keep the number of people in the building to a minimum and are working on getting other measures in place to protect our clients and volunteers, but we are excited to be planning in person meetings again. Since there are still restrictions on public transportation, some clients and volunteers will continue meetings by phone and video chat, but we look forward to again being able to welcome clients into the center.

We plan to visit one of our village clinic sites next week. We will do our best to comply with the government's guidelines for social distancing while we try to assist our patients with their medical concerns and provide them with medication refills. We are anxious to see our patients again and pray that current events will have softened their hearts to spiritual things. Pray that we will have wisdom and the right mixture of caution and confidence as we navigate reopening.

Grateful for God's goodness!

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