

# *The Christian Family*

## *Church Planters in Belarus*



October 2018

Dear Pastor and Congregation,

The summer has ended and we are seeing the fields cleared of the summer's crops. It is a reminder of the words of Christ "the harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few." We are grateful for the opportunities God has provided. We are doing our best to use those opportunities to further the Gospel, but there is so much more to do. I want to bring you up to date with our efforts.

### **Kid's English Club**

One of our prayers over the summer was for God to give us more students for the English club. We have indeed seen more kids come and many of the new ones are learning from the Bible for the first time. We have seen eight new kids visit the club, and five of them have been faithful to come in September and October. While we thank God for the increase, our prayer for these kids is to come to Christ, and through them their parents will visit the services and come to Christ. Please pray with us for this.

### **Pray for More Men**

I've said this before, but the real key to long term success in Belarus will be for Belarussian men to get saved and continue the Lord's work by planting local churches. Our Bible study has been well attended since the summer ended, and there are several men that God has given us to work with. There is a lot of interest in the lessons and many questions are being asked. Belarussians are intellectuals and therefore things are often over analyzed. The Gospel is no different. While they acknowledge the importance of our lessons they are still trying to logically understand the Gospel. The Gospel is not to be analyzed, but believed and accepted in faith. This is contrary to how the typical Belarussian thinks. Would you pray with us for our men to put their faith in God?

### **Vacation Bible School**

Every year, for the past three years, we have held a three-day VBS. Each year a few more kids have attended. This year we had our best attendance (14) and most of the kids were from the neighborhood where our church is located. Slowly but surely, we are becoming known in the area and parents are beginning to trust us. We are seeing the same trend with our English club. Please pray for us as we endeavor to build relationships with the families in our area.

For Belarus and Beyond,

The Jeff Christian Family

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