

The Christian Family

Church Planters in Belarus



September 2021

Dear Pastor and Congregation,

All things appear to be a go for starting our English courses this semester. Students are being contacted, and groups are being organized by speaking levels. We are planning to start on September 13. We are excited as classes have not been held since March of 2020 when the Covid 19 pandemic started. This is an important first step toward getting our ministry back on track. Please pray that there will be no surge of cases, and that we can complete the semester.

Health Update

Helen had a follow up appointment with the endocrinologist about the nodule on her thyroid gland. The doctor said that she sees a lot of these types of cases, and they are usually nothing serious, but that more tests are required. She scheduled Helen for a biopsy to rule out cancer. The biopsy is scheduled for September 16. We would appreciate your prayers for a clean biopsy. We will continue to update you as we receive more information.

More of the Same

The sanctions in the form of travel bans to and from Belarus continue to be enforced. It has caused a great deal of stress on the economy and has caused inflation to increase, and to weaken the Belarusian ruble against other major currencies around the world.

In retaliation to US sanctions Belarus has expelled the US Ambassador and ordered the US embassy to reduce its staff to five people. This makes it more difficult for us to get basic services and creates a lot of uncertainty. Please pray for better relations.

Vacation Bible School

We recently finished a successful summer VBS program. We had an average attendance of 12 children attend every day. While numbers aren't what is most important, they were significant for our church. Our first VBS was five years ago when we had just 4 young people come. We are making progress forming relationships with families in the neighborhood. Please continue to pray for our ministry, and for the growth of the church.

For Souls in Belarus,

The Jeff Christian Family

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