

# June 2022

## PRAYER DIARY

### Churches in Ukraine Slavic Gospel Association



*As the war continues in Ukraine we would like to share with you some of the stories of what the church in Ukraine are doing and how they are sharing God's love with those around them in the most challenging circumstances.*

#### **Shelling does not stop the work of volunteers**

Lysychansk, like all other unconquered territory of Luhansk region, has been at the epicentre of enemy shelling for several weeks. Another 60,000 people remain in the unoccupied Luhansk region. However, they need the delivery of humanitarian goods to bomb shelters in which they



hide from danger.

Since the beginning of the full-scale invasion, a team of volunteers from the local **Grace Church**, led by **Roman**, has been serving those affected by the bombing and humanitarian crisis. They have been taking out refugees, bringing medicine and food, and visiting basements.

During the days of attack, Roman and his team in Lysychansk came under enemy fire and were forced to hide under the supports of the railway bridge. God saved their lives, and they continue to serve those who still remain in Luhansk.

Communications in Luhansk region were completely destroyed as a result of hostilities. In the current war situation, neither electricity or water supply in Lysychansk will be restored, so people here face extremely difficult conditions for survival.

#### **Aid keeps flowing**

Throughout very challenging circumstances the Ukrainian Baptist Union Co-ordination Centre has been administering and co-ordinating huge levels of humanitarian aid. Every day volunteers have been involved in

supplying vital provisions to the sounds of air raid sirens, which unfortunately, can end in deadly rocket attacks.

During the days of the war so far, the humanitarian stores in Lviv received and sent more than 127 fully laden 20-ton trucks.



## **Irpin Church reaching out!**

Up to **70 volunteers** live, eat and work in the church building in Irpin. Every evening they talk through the difficulties and the emotional impact of the day, and then they pray.

A team of builders goes to damaged houses to cover broken windows with husk, and to repair roofs and doors. Others help homeowners take out from their half-burned or half-destroyed houses and apartments, furniture and other items which have survived the military attacks.



As lunchtime approaches, the team delivers hot food to the Territorial Defence Forces and the Armed Forces. Throughout the day, people go to the church building to wash and dry clothes, charge their phones, get necessities like vegetables, clothes, and also basic building materials.

Every morning and evening the people of the community are invited to pray. Pastors and deacons are present, waiting to listen and offer counselling and help to all who come.

**Pray that the church will be able to expand its ministry and to help restore life in the city.**

**Pray that they will be used of God to be channels of blessing, to bring emotional healing, and to bring support especially to the elderly who remained in the city during the war.**

## Daily prayers for June

01	Wed	For God's comfort and strength for all those who grieve
02	Thurs	Peace for Ukraine and other areas of conflict
03	Fri	Our links with St Mary's to grow, that we will support and encourage each other
04	Sat	Jubilee Garden Party
05	Sun	Pentecost. Give thanks for the gift of the Holy Spirit
06	Mon	The churches in the surrounding area.
07	Tues	Staff and students of the school for the deaf in Nekempte
08	Wed	Ben and his family. James and Helen as they prepare to come to us
09	Thurs	Our links with the Muslim community around us
10	Fri	PCC For God's guidance in decision making. For Cathy in the office
11	Sat	Our Queen. Give thanks for her faith and her service
12	Sun	Staff and children at St Mary's and Christ Church schools
13	Mon	For the Church throughout the world. For people growing in faith
14	Tues	For those being persecuted for their faith in Christ
15	Wed	Those struggling with household bills. For all who come to King's Kitchen
16	Thurs	Give thanks for those who have taught us and encouraged us in the faith
17	Fri	For all those working in the emergency services
18	Sat	Mission Partners Daniel and Mei, Derek and Audrey, Mike and Helen, Abelino and Patti
19	Sun	Christian marriage and families. For Jesus to be the heart of relationships
20	Mon	Young people in our churches and their leaders
21	Tues	For our own walk with God
22	Wed	For the lonely, the depressed, the sick, those struggling with their faith
23	Thurs	Bible studies and prayer groups. For more people to be involved
24	Fri	For our families to come to know Jesus
25	Sat	Women's breakfast at St Mary's
26	Sun	For God to strengthen our sense of mission, service and giving
27	Mon	For all staff and students as they come to the end of the academic year
28	Tues	Those who provide us with food and essentials – farmers fishermen shop workers, delivery drivers
29	Wed	Give thanks for all God has given us, especially for Jesus
30	Thurs	For Christian radio in the UK and worldwide

# YOUR PERSONAL PRAYER DIARY

REASONS TO GIVE THANKS AND PRAISE

ANSWERS TO PRAYER

NEW PRAYER REQUESTS

ONGOING PRAYER REQUESTS

