

# Mission Newsletter



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**“Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.” (Matt. 5:4)**

**W**hat does He mean by this? Is He meaning that we are to go about our daily duties with a long face, mournful and sad? No. He said in John 10:10, "I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly."

This world has a lot of injustices, cruelties, and sadness. Besides that, there are many things that happen that we just don't understand fully. These things may cause us to mourn. We have to put our trust in the Lord, for He is our great comforter. He will ease our sorrows and erase our pain.

He also means that a person, especially a Christian, should be very heavyhearted and even saddened over the failures, the sin, the iniquities, and the weaknesses in his own life. When you ask God to forgive you, then you should accept His forgiveness for the wrongs you have committed. Be sad no longer but rejoice in His mercy and love.

We should never look upon sin as a light thing. Whenever we stumble through a trap of Satan and we do wrong, we sin, and it hurts us. We should be saddened by it. There should be mourning in our hearts because of the failure that has weakened us and hindered us. The Lord said if you are sorry for sin that He would never overlook a broken and contrite spirit. He would comfort you. He will always comfort the one that's sorry for his sins and wants to be forgiven and to forsake them.

The person, however, that regards sin lightly and has an attitude of trying to make excuses for their wrongdoing is in serious trouble.

If you do wrong, ask God to forgive you. Resolve not to do it anymore. Forsake that thing. Be saddened over the wrongdoing.

He said when you do that, He will comfort you. He will be just and faithful to forgive you and restore you to His graces. **OROROR**

## **Thank-you Morden Tabor Home** **A very special Thank-you letter** **From our brother in Christ, Vasyl** **Elenchuk from Chernivtsi, Ukraine.**



*Dear everyone at Faith Mission!*

*I thank God for the lift you sent to me!*

*I've been disabled for many years and I have had to go through much suffering during this time. I have spent most of the time in hospitals and rehabilitation centers. Medical staff often neglected to care for me because of the difficulty transporting me. I started my rehabilitation program at home because the professional care is very expensive.*

*My wife couldn't transfer me to and from my bed to the training machine or training mat. Very often, she had to ask the neighbours to come and help transfer me. It was very inconvenient because sometimes we had to wait a long time because the neighbours were busy.*

*Now, with the use of the hydraulic lift, which was delivered to us by our dear brother Peter Nastasiychuk, it*

*is possible for me to transfer from the bed or wheelchair, without a third person helping.*

*I thank God for people like you who are ready to help those who are in need. Thank you for addressing our needs and helping with these devices which can make our life and the life of our family so much easier.*

*We wish you God's richest blessing in your ministry for the Lord and for the expansion of His Kingdom.*

*With gratitude, The Elenchuk's family.*

**Editor's comments: (Here you can see what your donations can do for those people who are not able to buy these items. On behalf of the Elenchuk family and all the other families who were blessed with the Tabor Home equipment, a very special THANK YOU TO MORDEN TABOR HOME for supporting Faith Mission in this way.)**



Medi-Lifter when we picked it up from Morden Tabor Home Shop



Medi-Lifter (circled in photo) and wheelchairs being loaded into shipping container Nov.17, 2016



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## Spring time means it's time to prepare for Children's Camp...



### Children's Camp - It's time to start planning!

Planning for 2017 Children's Camps has been ongoing since camp wrapped up last summer. Faith Mission is once again planning to sponsor the Carpathian Children's and Youth Camps this summer. It is our hope and prayer that our donations for shipping clothes will not be affected with the camp campaign. We have already shipped 3 containers of Humanitarian Aid to Ukraine this year and we realize that there is a tremendous need for more aid in Ukraine. The war has left thousands of families homeless and many have lost all their possessions when they left their villages.

If you would like to help with the 2017 Camp Program, please check the "Camp" box on the donation card and get your donation in early so that we can forward the funds to the churches in Ukraine. Thank you!

Here is part of a letter we received after Camp 2016...

*..... with your financial help and prayers we were able to have eight camps all together with 560 children, 30 teachers and about 15 workers from our churches who served with their vehicles, guarded our camps at night and prepared tasty food, which was one of the most difficult ministries.*

*About 95% of the children came from Orthodox and Catholic families. Our focus was to show them how Christ loves them, what He has done for them, and what their eternity will be like if they don't accept Christ into their lives. I attended many of their Bible classes and evening services. My heart was filled with joy seeing how children memorized so many Bible verses and songs. They were taught how to pray..... Children came from many different family situations. There were orphans, extremely poor children and children who's dads went to fight in the war in the Eastern Ukraine. Many of them got to see love for the*

*first time in their life. They felt that somebody wanted to take care for them. "I don't understand why they love us, ..... children they've never seen before" wrote one of the teenagers.....*

There are so many stories and testimonies like this. God has been so good. We feel so blessed that even we here in Canada can feel that we are part of this ministry.

Please continue to support the Children's Camps. If you are not able to give financially, please pray that God will continue to provide the needs of all the camps as well as encouragement and guidance for all the camp volunteers.



Our friend Peter in the Carpathian Region of Ukraine needs a vehicle upgrade. Missionswerk FriedensBote would like to purchase a late model van (similar to the one in the photo above) and has asked us to help with raising funds for the van project. Peter's older model VW van has served his ministry very well for many

years but the daily trips along the rough mountain roads have really taken a toll on the van. Reliable transportation is vital for Peter as he has many churches where he serves as pastor and travels to many remote villages, visiting shut-ins, seniors, and widows, often delivering clothing and other humanitarian aid.

Peter is in Germany at this time and is hoping to take the van to Ukraine when he goes back home. The total cost of the vehicle will be approximately 20,000 Euro or \$28,600.00 Cdn. If you wish to help with the van project, please check the "Van" box on the Donation Mailing Card.

## Faith Mission is looking for a Winnipeg Drop-Off site and someone to pick-up clothes at a few sites

We have been offered a regular supply of used clothing in the City of Winnipeg if we can arrange to pick it up a couple of times every week. It would be wonderful, if we can make this work. It sounds like it would be a fairly consistent flow, which is exactly what we need.

We are now looking for someone who would be able to provide a small shed or maybe a trailer where we could collect some bagged or boxed clothing till it gets picked up for baling in Winkler or Arborg.

If you feel that this is something you could do for Faith Mission, please give Jake a call. 204-325-5446 leave a message.



### Office Hours



Tuesday 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Clothing sorting & baling:

Thursday 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. & 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.  
Bags or boxes of clothing may be dropped off at the "DROP-OFF" door on the west side of the Faith Mission warehouse building. This drop-off room is opened 24 hours a day and is emptied on a regular basis. However, if you have more than a few bags or boxes, please call ahead to arrange your delivery.

**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE CLOTHING DONATIONS OUTSIDE!**

### Volunteers Welcome!

If your Youth Group, Bible Study group, or Ladies' Sewing Circle would like to volunteer for an afternoon or evening (Monday-Saturday), please contact the office to make arrangements.

Faith Mission (FriedensBote) Inc. solicits your gifts for the purpose identified in this appeal. However, if the project for which the gifts are received has been fully funded or cannot be completed for reasons beyond the control of the charity, the board reserves the right to use such funds for other similar projects.

## Faith Mission (FriedensBote) Inc.

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Faith Mission (FriedensBote) Inc. is a nonprofit, registered charitable organization based in Winkler, Manitoba. Faith Mission was incorporated on May the 16th, 1994 in the Province of Manitoba

### Purpose of Faith Mission

- to provide humanitarian and spiritual aid to the people of former Communist communities of the world.
- to call others to pray for the suffering people in the world.
- to provide information about the people of the former Communist communities to fellow Christians in North America.

The **Faith Mission Newsletter** is printed bimonthly and mailed at no cost to those people who have supported us in the past or to those who request information about Faith Mission.

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