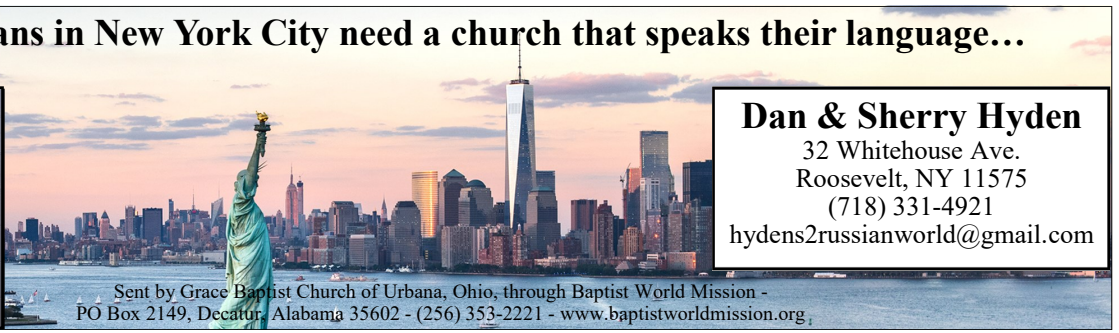


600,000 Russians in New York City need a church that speaks their language...



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Dear friend,

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Our third grader ran into the kitchen excitedly a couple of weeks ago to share what she had just read in her science work for the day. "Did you know, Mom, that some seeds have little 'stickers' on the outside of them?" She went on to explain that these tiny stickers hook on animals and even people. They then get carried somewhere else where they can fall off, drop into the ground, and grow to form a new plant. She thought that was really cool. And it is! It also provides a perfect mental image of the gospel message being spread around the world.

This summer, the seed of the Gospel went into the heart of a young woman, Gulmira, who received it as truth. She is from a Muslim family but knew she didn't want anything that she had grown up with. She came searching. After several weeks of evangelistic studies, she made up her mind and was saved! As she sat in church shortly after that, we couldn't help but notice her Bible full of blue sticky tabs to mark all the different places she had been reading and studying. Please pray for Gulmira to grow in Christ.

At the end of August, we once again took advantage of the annual opportunity provided by the Brighton Jubilee street festival to pass out as many tracts and Bibles as possible. These are certainly all seeds. The next week, we were able to hand deliver a large-print Bible to a woman who requested one after we had run out of them at our table. It's a blessing any time someone asks for a Bible.



It's also a blessing to invite someone to church and then have them show up for the service an hour later! Though that doesn't happen often, it did with Valeri, a young man we met on the street in Brighton one afternoon. Already a believer, please pray for him to be deeply rooted in Christ and to bear much fruit!



Some of those little gospel seeds have been transported from our church lately and gone around the world to different countries. We recently bid a bittersweet farewell to Olya, a dear lady who was saved in our church that we lovingly referred to as our "Right-Hand Olya."

We held a special lunch, where we were blessed with four visitors, one of whom was Olya's sister, who was only in New York for the weekend. After six years of being with us, Olya has returned to her homeland and family in Uzbekistan. Our earnest prayer (and hers) is that she would be a seed



carrier to her two sons and their families. It would be such a joy to hear of their salvation!

A few people in our church have recently returned from trips to visit unsaved family in their homelands. They went trusting God to give them chances to share Christ. With the ongoing crisis in Ukraine, some are still fleeing their homes. One, in particular, is Valentina, the newly arrived 88-year-old grandmother of one of our ladies. Valentina has many needs. It's a miracle in and of itself that she was able to survive the bombing around her and then make the trip to Poland and on to America. Please pray that her heart would be open and her mind clear enough to understand a gospel presentation.

Some seed planting is very intentional. Some happens even when we don't realize that God is at work. So, whether it has been in our church, on the street, or around the world, we praise Him for the little seeds that have been carried and scattered as a result of your prayers and support for His work here in NYC. Thank you!

Serving our Savior,

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