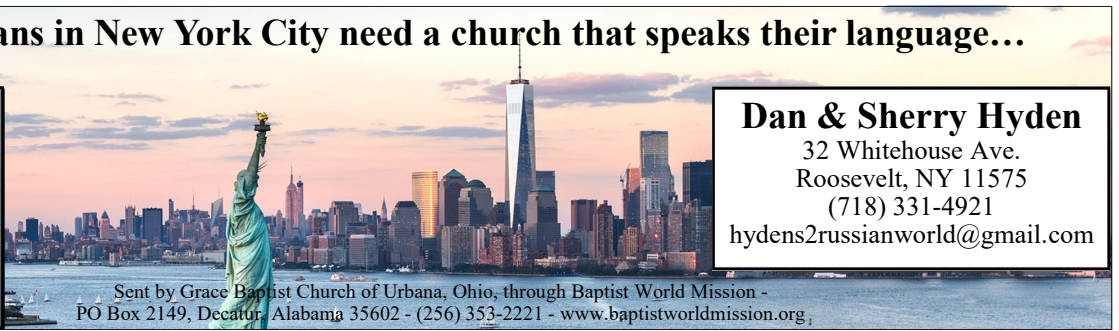


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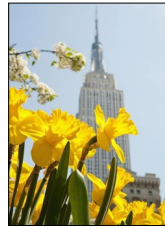
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Dear friend,

March 2023

Millions of daffodils, planted after 9/11 as “the world’s largest living memorial,” are now blooming across New York City. We, too, are seeing the Lord bring new growth in the ministry here, some from seeds that were planted long ago.



January ended with a funeral, as our dear brother Ben Stein finished his earthly course and was called home. Ben was with us from the very beginning of this ministry, even offering to rent us part of his house when we first moved to New York. He was zealous for the Lord, and was a great help to us for many years.



We also heard, just a couple of weeks ago from the daughter, of a lady who had been part of our church for years before she passed away in 2021. This is a seed that has long seemed barren, but please ask the Lord to bring life to her family: Dima, Tanya, and other family members.

In February, we visited two of our supporting churches (Indiana and Illinois), as well as our son, daughter, and some other family in the Midwest.

Then came March! March is always special, as three of our daughters were born in this month. But this March was loaded with blessings! We were invited to a new church in Pennsylvania, and they decided while we were there to begin supporting our ministry!

Then we welcomed Michael and Barbara Hinson and their family to our church. The Hinsons are missionaries to the Republic of Georgia, and the Lord has brought several Georgian people to attend our church services regularly within the past few months. But several of these visitors speak little Russian, and no English, so



ministering to them has not been easy. But the Lord arranged for the Hinsons to conduct a special service in the Georgian language in our church. It was great, and two more visitors came for the first time!

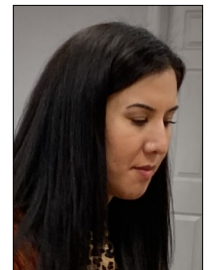
The following week, we welcomed new guests: a pastor and his family from Belarus. We appreciated their ministry to our church, and on the day they left, we also left, this time to travel to southern New Jersey. We spent a few days there among beloved brothers and sisters in the Lord, ministering to their children during the church’s missions conference. What a blessed time that was!

These various ministry trips meant that we had to be away from Brooklyn for several services. Who could fill in for us when we had to be away? Some services were led by our faithful brother, Sergey. But when he couldn’t? The English church could supply a preacher, but who would translate into Russian? Dan believed that several COULD, but who WOULD? Everyone he asked, refused, or were unavailable. But one young lady reluctantly agreed that she would translate if no one else could be



found. She agreed to let God use her even though she felt inadequate for the job. And THAT is all that God needs: someone who is willing. She did fine. And when she woke up on the second Sunday morning sick, ANOTHER young lady who had previously refused to help stepped up and did the job. These were two of the greatest things that happened during a

great month. And three days ago, the first young lady and her husband told Dan that they believe that the Lord wants them to open up their home and host meetings there for their neighbors! This is an answer to prayer, and please pray for them and others to grow and serve!



Another lady just came to church who said that she had received a gospel tract SEVERAL YEARS AGO, and we have also had visitors to our Bible study in Queens. We are rejoicing for all of these things, and are thankful for your part in God’s work here in NYC!

Serving our Saviour, _____

*Dan, Sherry,
Shastya, Gabriel, Emma, & Kelsie*