

FFWPU USA: It's never too late to show gratitude by giving back: Month of Giving

Naokimi Ushiroda
December 14, 2022



It's never too late to show our gratitude by giving back! During this national [Month of Giving](#), which celebrates the generosity and volunteerism that unites people of all backgrounds, we can show our thankfulness in countless ways.

In 2021, Americans gave \$410.2 billion to charity - breaking all previous records. Within the Unification movement, here are five ways to give back and show your support this season through volunteering, donating, or offering prayers and devotions.

1. Cheon Won Gung and Cheon Il Sanctum

True Mother has been preparing the dedication of Cheon Won Gung (including the Cheon Il Sanctum) as the culmination of God's providence and the victory of the firm establishment of a heavenly unified world. Cheon Won Gung will also house heavenly governing offices, and include a center where people from around the world can learn about True Parents' life and achievements while being resurrected as the people of Cheon Il Guk. Given this purpose, the Cheon Won Gung and Cheon Il Sanctum have unprecedented providential value and significance. All Unificationists are invited to offer [special devotions](#) and [special donations](#) to support this providence.

2. Winter Workshops

The youth are the fruit of the global Unification movement and the future leaders of God's providence. Spiritual education and nourishment is an important component in preparing the next generation. Winter workshops bridge educational and fun activities while also fostering individual and community growth. There are various avenues to support these workshops, whether through staffing, cooking, cleaning, offering a talent, or entertainment. You can check out the upcoming regional workshops [here](#) and contribute in a way that best reflects your ability.

3. Feeding Blessed Families

America is a prosperous nation and remains a beacon of hope and inspiration around the world. We can share our blessings and support with our brothers and sisters domestically as well as abroad. Faced with uncertainty during the ongoing war, blessed families in Ukraine are in need of stockpiling food this winter. Having basics such as salt, sugar, rice, pasta, and meat can make all the difference for some 109 Unificationists still in the country. You can aid these families through a GoFundMe page available [here](#).

4. Morning Devotion

Giving our time is a precious gift sometimes overlooked. But having our hearts and minds focused each morning on attending Heavenly Parent and True Parents is a great way to show gratitude for everything else in our lives. The live "Morning Devotion" online program initiated by Dr. Chung Sik Yong, Regional President, FFWPU North America, kicked off in 2020 with much success. To date, more than a hundred people from across the country and overseas gather virtually every morning to honor God. You can give your support by joining through [Zoom](#) or the Morning Devotion [website](#). You're encouraged to share your reflections with Dr. Yong by emailing iseo@unification.org.

5. National Tithe

"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops." (Proverbs 3:9, NIV). For people of faith, tithing is an inherent part of giving back. The Bible tells us a tenth of our wealth is holy and belongs to God. The national tithe of FFWPU USA is used to support and uplift healthy God-centered families and communities, as well as significant peace-building projects for America and the world. You're encouraged to donate any amount to the national tithe available [here](#).

You can learn more about National Month of Giving [here](#).

December Giving Makes Us Human

Sign the Proclamation



December Giving Makes Us Human:

Did you know that neither Congress nor the Executive Branch has officially dedicated any of our twelve months to acts of volunteerism or charitable giving? December provides us a very special opportunity to celebrate those individuals, groups and organizations who invest their lives in charity. As you know, nonprofits provide critical relief to the hurting, hungry and helpless, develop support for much needed social reforms and improve every aspect of civil society including health, the arts and education. These “impact” organizations encourage civic engagement and challenge our citizens to implement heroic missions of scale that transform our communities. ***We're pleased to share that our U.S. Senators, Congressman and the White House will offer a legislative resolution proclaiming December to be National Giving Month upon receiving 10,000 signatures from people who believe in charity.***

December is National Giving Month:

- LAST YEAR AMERICANS GAVE \$410.2 BILLION TO CHARITY (BREAKING ALL PREVIOUS RECORDS)
- ONE THIRD (31%) OF ANNUAL GIVING OCCURS IN DECEMBER
- 12% OF ALL GIVING HAPPENS IN THE LAST THREE DAYS OF THE YEAR
- 28% OF NONPROFITS RAISE AS MUCH AS 50% OF THEIR FUNDING IN DECEMBER

Our generosity demonstrates that even in divisive times our commitment to charity is secure. Charitable giving increases each year, signaling that our friends give according to their beliefs and interests, which are both diverse and wide-ranging.

9327 Supporters so far...



We're Almost There. Let's Reach Our Goal!

Sign the Proclamation:

Americans of all walks of life are volunteering their time and giving of their resources to improve lives and the quality of living of others. Please take a few moments to add your endorsement below so that December officially becomes National Giving Month. Sign today and make the world a better place.

DECEMBER IS NATIONAL GIVING MONTH

- Whereas:** National Giving Month celebrates Americans at their best by acknowledging the generosity and volunteerism that unites people of all ideologies during the month of December.
- Whereas:** National Giving Month recognizes Americans who tend to the unmet human, educational, health, environmental and public needs of our communities.
- Whereas:** National Giving Month promotes a strong and vibrant charitable and philanthropic sector ensuring all Americans experience life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.
- Whereas:** National Giving Month celebrates donors, volunteers, corporations, foundations and organizations who financially invest in the local, state and national challenges before us.
- Whereas:** National Giving Month encourages the nonprofit sector to solve the socio-economic challenges that ensure every man, woman and child can pursue the American dream.
- Whereas:** National Giving Month highlights civic responsibility and the spirit of community and service through shared values that transcend race, religion, gender, age, disability, region, income and education.
- Therefore:** I, do request that December be celebrated as National Giving Month. I call upon all Americans to commemorate this period by observing appropriate programs and activities and to celebrate National Giving Month by sharing one's time and resources through the charitable community.

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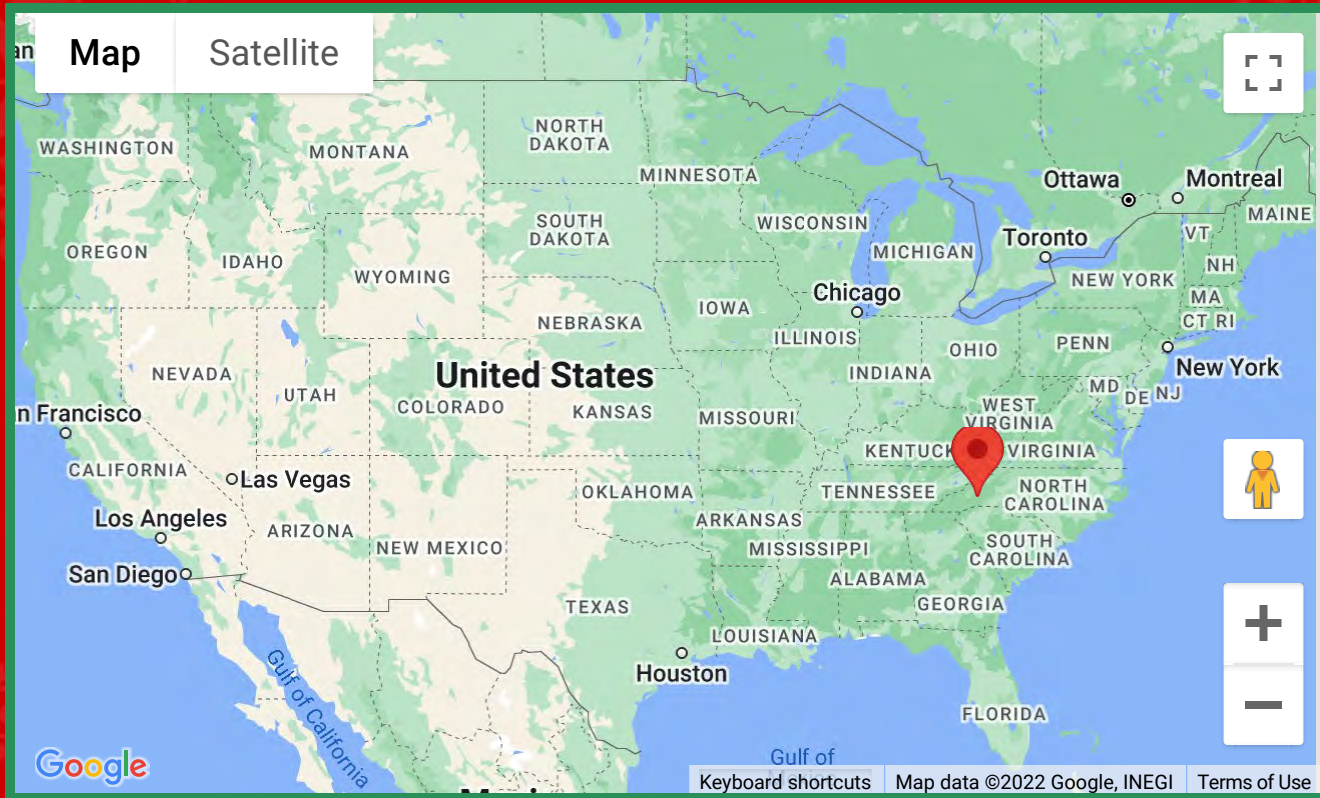
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Supporters Already. Be one of them!

Updates

December 11, 2022

We're About to Exceed 10,000 Champions!

We're almost there! Thank you to the 9,327 individuals who signed the proclamation. Once we reach 10,000 signatures our U.S. Senators, Congressman and the White House [...]

Do you like it? ❤️ 0

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December 11, 2022

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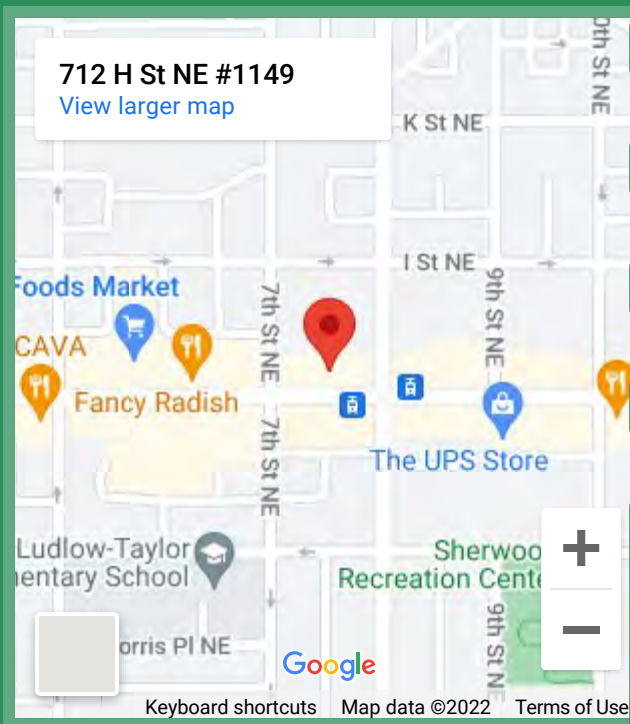
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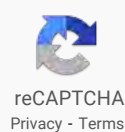
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Ref. No. FFWPUI 2022-325

To : Cheon Eui Won Chairs, Regional Presidents, Subregional Presidents, National Presidents, and Provincial, District, and Church Pastors
Cc : Heads of Providential Organizations, Personnel-in-charge in Regional Headquarters, Subregional Headquarters
From : Heavenly Parent's Holy Community Family Federation for World Peace and Unification International Headquarters (FFWPU IHQ)
Date : 9.9 by the Heavenly Calendar in the 10th Year of Cheon Il Guk (October 4, 2022)
Re. : Special Devotions (*Jeongseong*) for the Dedication of Cheon Won Gung (including the Cheon Il Sanctum)

May Heavenly Parent and True Parents' blessings and love be with you all.

The True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind proclaimed the Foundation Day of Cheon Il Guk in 2013. Following this, through the Seven-year Cosmic Canaan Course they celebrated the centenary of True Father's birth and the 7th anniversary of Foundation Day, proclaiming the firm establishment of Cheon Il Guk and the launch of Heavenly Parent's Holy Community. Looking ahead to the celebration of the 60th Heavenly Parent's Day in 2027, we will hold the dedication of Cheon Won Gung (with the Cheon Il Sanctum) for the sake of the final completion of God's providence and the victory of the firm establishment of a heavenly unified world.

The Cheon Won Gung Cheon Il Sanctum will be the substantial, original holy temple where our Heavenly Parent will fully dwell. Cheon Won Gung will house the central, heavenly governing offices through which the sovereignty of Cheon Il Guk will take shape. It will also be a center where people from throughout the world can encounter True Parents' life and achievements and be resurrected as the people of Cheon Il Guk. Cheon Won Gung and the Cheon Il Sanctum thus have unprecedented providential value and significance. The building is scheduled for completion on 3.16 by the heavenly calendar in the 11th year of Cheon Il Guk (May 5, 2023).

Therefore, with 210 days remaining before the dedication ceremony, Cheonbo families and blessed families around the world are asked to offer special devotions according to the guidelines outlined below.

1. 210-Day Period of Special Devotions (*Jeongseong*) for the Successful Dedication of Cheon Won Gung (and the Cheon Il Sanctum)

1) Time period: October 7, 2022 ~ May 4, 2023 (210 days)

2) Content of the special devotions

(1) Offering bows: maintaining a standard number of bows throughout

(2) Special Activities: bringing 43 couples to membership, re-invigorating inactive members, bringing people to the Blessing

(3) Substantial Offering: a special donation from each family

2. Special Donation for the Construction of the Cheon Won Gung (Cheon Il Sanctum)

1) Donation fund name: Cheon Seung Fund

2) Those being asked to donate: All blessed families worldwide

3) Donation amount:

a) Heavenly Korea: An offering of at least one donation of 1 million won per family

b) International: Donation standards for each nation will soon be sent out.

We will announce later about benefits for those that offer the Cheon Seung Fund donation.

3. Contact details

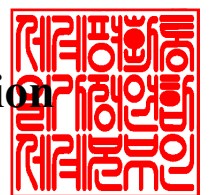
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To : Cheon Eui Won Chairs, Regional Presidents, Subregional Presidents, National Presidents, and Provincial, District, and Church Pastors

Cc : Heads of Providential Organizations, Personnel-in-charge in Regional Headquarters, Subregional Headquarters

From : Heavenly Parent's Holy Community Family Federation for World Peace and Unification International Headquarters (FFWPU IHQ)

Date : 10.8 by the Heavenly Calendar in the 10th Year of Cheon Il Guk (November 1, 2022)

Re. : Special Donation for the Dedication of Cheon Won Gung (including the Cheon Il Sanctum)

May Heavenly Parent and True Parents' blessings and love be with you all.

Before the dedication ceremony of Cheon Won Gung and the Cheon Il Sanctum, scheduled for 3.16 by the heavenly calendar in the 11th year of Cheon Il Guk (May 5, 2023), all world leaders and blessed families around the world are humbly asked to offer special donation according to the guidelines outlined below.

1. Special Donation for the Construction of Cheon Won Gung (and Cheon Il Sanctum)

- 1) Donation fund name: Cheon Seung Fund
- 2) Those being asked to donate: All blessed families worldwide
- 3) Donation amount:
 - a) Heavenly Korea: An offering of at least one donation of 1 million won per family
 - b) International: An offering of at least one donation of US\$800 per family

2. Remittance

- 1) International: Each regional and national headquarters should prepare and keep a full list of the donors' information.

(Name, date of deposit, amount, region, nation, and Blessing group)
- 2) Remitting the donations to Korea: By May 4, 2023

If the national headquarters sends its nation's donations directly to Korea, please report this to regional headquarters with full list of the donors.
- 3) Remittance information: Refer to [Attachment #1]

3. Contact details

Ms. Yeon-min Lee

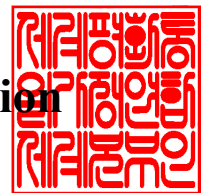
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4. Attachment : [Attachment #1] Remittance information

**Yun Young-ho, Director-General
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FIND ALL THE DETAILS ON THE WINTER WORKSHOPS HAPPENING HERE!

It's so nice to see so many workshops happening in person this year! Some of these workshops are in person and region specific, others are for anyone who would like to attend, and some are online. So please go to the workshop's registration or contact your local youth and young adult pastors or Subregional Coordinators for more information if it is not provided here.

We hope to see you at one of these workshops!

NORTHEAST WORKSHOP

“Next Generation”

DECEMBER 26 - 29

Discover what it means to be a Blessed Child!

Location: Unification Theological Seminary

30 Seminary Dr, Barrytown, NY 12507

For all high school and middle school age participants

Early Bird registration ends December 18

EARLY BIRD FEE: \$180

REGISTRATION FEE: \$200

[REGISTER HERE](#)



DMV WORKSHOP

“Our Fight,

OUR FIGHT, MY PROMISE

High School Winter

My Promise™

DECEMBER 27 - JANUARY 1

This workshop is open to all high school students, especially those in D4 & SR2!

Location: Camp Pecometh - Faith and Grace Houses
136 Bookers Wharf Rd., Centreville, MD 21617

Workshop Drop Off: 2 PM December 27th

Workshop Pick Up: 2 PM January 1st

There will be NO transportation provided from the campsite, so families will be responsible to pick up their children.

Prior to attending the workshop you must complete 3 prerequisites and email them to dcbcyouth@gmail.com by December 24th.

REGISTRATION FEE: \$150

REGISTER HERE



DISTRICT 5 WORKSHOP

“Illuminate”

DECEMBER 27 – 31 FOR HIGH
SCHOOLERS

This year workshop's theme is “Illuminate,” where we will be exploring the realms discovery and love through lectures, discussion, and activities. We have some fun outings planned for our youth including a bonfire and outdoor sports & activities.

Location: Camp Aruna (3060 Bouldercrest Rd. Ellenwood, GA 30034)

PARTICIPANT FEE: \$120

STAFF FEE: \$65

REGISTER HERE

STAFF APPLICATION



WINTER KOGAPE



Save the Date



DECEMBER 28 - JANUARY 1

Location: Camp Kohoe

Cost and other information coming soon!

REGISTRATION COMING SOON



BAY AREA WORKSHOP

DECEMBER 27 - 30 FOR HIGH SCHOOLERS

Registration and more information coming soon!

UTAH & COLORADO WS

DATES TBA

Registration and more information coming soon!

CAMP TRUE NORTH

DATES TBA

Registration and more information coming soon!

WINTER BCSF

DECEMBER 30TH 12:00PM - 6:30PM

&

DECEMBER 31ST 9:00AM - 1:00PM

BCSF is hosting its first ever "Christmas Bowl" in New Jersey! Ultimate frisbee and volleyball will be the two sports you can participate in.

Location: Sports Domain Academy, 1075 US-46, Clifton, NJ 07013

Any questions: Text us at 845-596-9712

REGISTRATION COMING SOON



REGISTER HERE

YOUNG ADULT WORKSHOP

JANUARY 20TH @ 1PM - JANUARY 22ND @ 12PM

We talk about the matching process and hearing matching testimonies, but how often do we talk and hear about Blessed life? What about culture, community, our movement? This retreat's focus is to bridge the gap from the ideal to reality of the three Great Blessings, hear testimonies from couples and each other about living a principled life as an individual and/or as a Blessed couple and family. It's a space to feel heard and listened to, have meaningful discussion, and much more.

Location: Bay Area Family Church

Early Bird price ends December 31.

REGISTRATION FEE: \$45

REGISTER HERE

AN SR5 YOUNG ADULT SINGLES AND COUPLES RETREAT



glimpse of a Blessed life

Knowing your value, bridging the gap between the ideal and reality, creating and owning the culture we envision

1pm Jan 20th - 12pm 22nd

 early bird price ends Dec 31st
Fee: \$45

 Registration link:
<https://hsa.regfox.com/sr5-young-adult-retreat>



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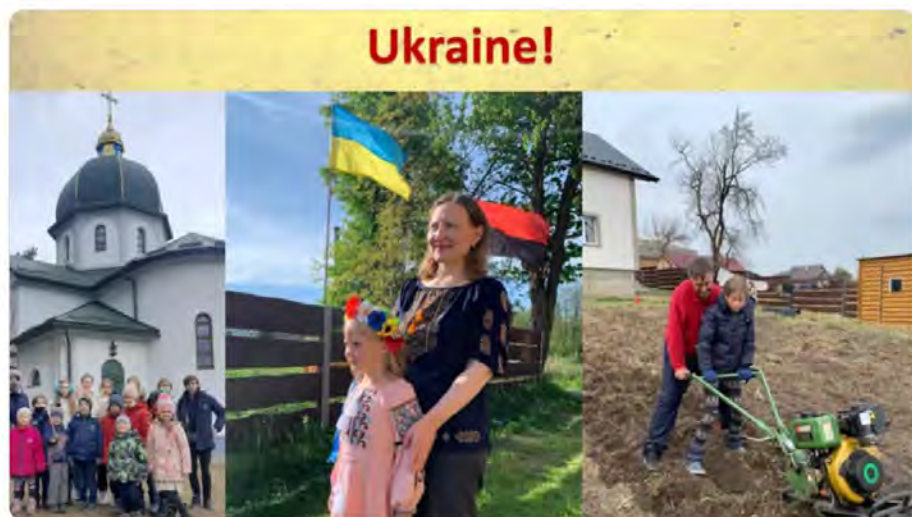


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To stock up food for families in Ukraine



Ukraine!

Mariya Makarova is organizing this fundraiser on behalf of Mykola Synkov.

Dear Family,

The War in Ukraine rages on and families are suffering the most. It's not much, but we want to at least make sure our Blessed Families can make it through the winter. All of them had to flee their homes and abandon their livelihoods. Despite these hardships, they continue to fundraise, witness, and run workshops to keep their spirits up. I hope you'll take a minute to at least read the report below from the Ukrainian national leader, Anna Kalmatskaya. If you can donate anything at all it will be greatly appreciated.

Please note that since these funds are being sent overseas through FFWPU Europe, your donation is not tax-exempt.

Blessings to you and your family this holiday season!

Pastor Miilhan Stephens
Pastor of Manhattan Family Church

Maria Makarova
Ukrainian member of our Manhattan Family Church
New Hope Holy Community for Post-Soviet Countries

Report from Anna Kalmatskaya, national leader of Ukraine.



Ukrainian members situation after the war outbreak:

Preparing for the possible war, we sent some members to the western part of Ukraine in advance. Those who remained in Kyiv, since the beginning of the war, were in our premises, mainly in the basement, due to constant shelling and bombing. A week later, we evacuated mainly women and children to the west of Ukraine and abroad.



Ukrainian members situation after the war outbreak:

Two Blessed families were staying in the occupied Bucha for 14 days, miraculously escaping through a humanitarian corridor that was constantly blocked by Russian troops.



\$12,078 raised of \$43,500 goal

78 donations

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margaret Brewster
\$40 · 3 d

Felicitas Moyer
\$120 · 4 d

Nathan Bratcher
\$100 · 4 d

Takeji Sugajima
\$100 · 6 d

Robert David Kleiman
\$70 · 10 d

See all

See top donations



- 203 members went abroad and became refugees.
- 109 people are staying in Ukraine. 81 of them had to leave their houses and became internally displaced.
- 9 brothers went to war. One of them was wounded.
8 brothers are still on the front-line.



Volunteering, helping the army, preparing supplies of firewood and fuel for our community for the winter.



Two families are staying together in Vinnitsa. One family had a baby two days before the war. Another family had a baby during the war. (Three second generation children for now were born during the war).



- 22 people are staying in Lviv City.
- 43 people are staying together in a small village in Lviv region, renting two wooden houses. We are 27 adults and 16 children, staying as one community.



Living, working, cooking, eating together, farming, practicing community life.



Doing FR with self-baked donuts. 20% of the result is given to support Ukraine's army.



Doing witnessing activity: online lectures, working with actionizers who come to stay with us, holding 7-days DP workshop for two guests, hiking challenge with guests.



Activity for second generation:
14-days actionizing program
for children of 13+.



Volunteering: helping local center for the Internally displaced people that serves 3000 IDPs, volunteering at the goat farm, helping neighbors with haymaking.



Daily life during the war: waiting out the air raid in a bomb shelter, weaving nets for the army at the local school.



The war in Ukraine has caused a huge problem of crop failure. This threatens potential famine and a huge humanitarian crisis. Ukraine is already facing severe shortages of staples and skyrocketing prices. Presumably, the situation will worsen much in winter. To prepare for this, we need to stock up on basic products for our community that stays in Ukraine.

A set of basic products for one person for one month:
145\$ (salt, sugar, rice, buckwheat, pasta, oatmeal, flour, sunflower oil, canned meat and fish)

For 100 people for three winter months: **43 500\$**.

**Thank you and with love from
Ukraine!**



Updates (1)

December 5, 2022 by Mariya Makarova, Organizer

On November 16th Russia carried out the largest series of missile attacks on critical infrastructure facilities in Ukraine since the beginning of the war. 96 missiles. 73 of them were shot down by Ukrainian air defense. 15 energy facilities were damaged, including actually a power plant in Lviv region, 15 km away from the place where our community is staying. Those of us who were outside heard explosions.

And on November 23rd 67 missiles were launched at Ukraine, again on infrastructure and residential buildings. The electrical substation in our area was also damaged. Kyiv, Lviv and several other regions were completely de-energized for several days.

For the 23 blessed families who remained in Ukraine during the war (about 100 people in total), this period is very difficult. Constant blackouts, sometimes for a whole day, and because of this lack of heat, food shortages, and communication problems. Thanks to the support of the European office, which provided us with generators, we were able to provide electricity to our community of 40 people living in a village in the Lviv region, as well as 10 members living in Kyiv in our church building.

However, the issue of food remains acute for us. Due to constant power outages, shops operate with big interruptions. We expect it to be even harder in the winter. Therefore, we really need to stock the necessary long-term products for 100 members in Ukraine.

Donate

Share

Organizer and beneficiary



Mariya Makarova

Organizer
Staten Island, NY



Mykola Synkov

Beneficiary

Contact

Words of support (1)

Please donate to share words of support.



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If you'd like to join Morning Devotion as part of a live audience,

You are invited to join by zoom at the following link

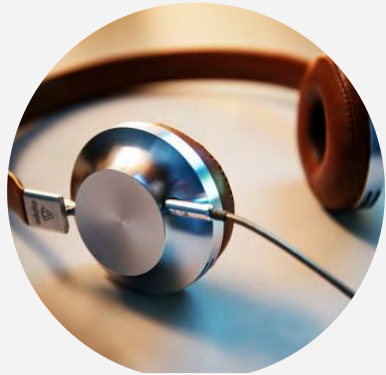
<https://zoom.us/j/94882470936>

Those on zoom will participate in sharing appreciation and reflections, and may be selected to give their 10 points of appreciation publicly, as we've done during the first 40 days. Please [download the newest version of Zoom!](#) This will allow you to join the updated breakout rooms.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Thank You!

JOIN MORNING DEVOTION ON ZOOM



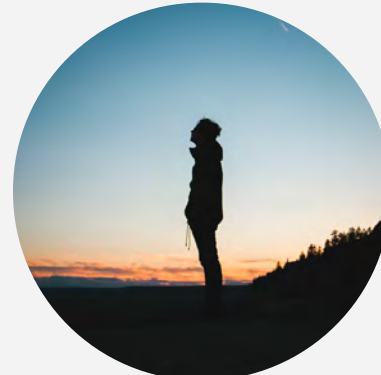
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National Tithe

We invite you to be a co-creator of national level projects of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification. Your gift will be used to support and uplift healthy God-centered families and communities along with significant peace-building projects for our nation and the world. We want to extend our heartfelt gratitude for your hard-earned offering and pray for blessings upon you and your family. Together we can build God's ideal here on Earth!

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