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We mourn the loss of a brother...

Dear praying partners,

Yesterday morning we received word from Pastor Ivan Bespalov of the loss of Nazar, a member of the Church of the Holy Trinity in Kyiv. Pastor Ivan shared that he was a medical worker killed on the front lines. The following text was posted on Facebook (<u>LINK</u>) at one of the three services held in memory of his life. Please pray for Nazar's family and his church family, and for a just end to this sensless war.

Kyiv said goodbye to the doctor Назарій Лавровський

Nazareth was 31. He was a medic of the 112th Separate Territorial Defense Brigade. "Feldscher of the 244th Battalion Nazary Lavrovsky died, saving the lives of brothers, during the evacuation of the wounded, in the Kharkiv area of the front. In civilian life, Lavrovsky was an expert in the Department of Antimicrobial Resistance and Infection Control of the Center for Public Health and contributed to several important and necessary WHO orders, including on the rational use of antibiotics. " He was also an instructor of the 44 training center. A memory that will last forever!



SPRING TOUR VISITING CHURCHES

We embarked on our 3 month trek last week to visit partnering churches, friends and family with the added blessing of enjoying God's marvelous creation as we camp along the way. We have already visited a few churches and as we make our way across the South, we will eventually turn to the North to New York State for a family reunion on Beth's side and then July 4th celebration with our son, Jonathon and his wife, Maureen, in Deerborn, Michigan. There are many miles before us and please pray for mechanical success (car and R-pod) and safety as we travel. We look forward to sharing updates on Ukraine with many of you!



In the pictures above, we were warmly received at our first stop at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Greenwood, Mississippi. We had a great meeting with the missions committee of Covenant Presbyterian in Birmingham, AL, over lunch facilitated by Phyllis Hamm (Thanks, Phyllis!) and we had an unexpected meeting with Pastor Sergei while there. Sergei pastors our church in Kherson and was out of Ukraine with his family when the war escalated in February 2022. They are serving as they can while waiting in Birmingham.

Many have asked for our travel schedule. Here are the bones of our itinerary:

- 4/21 Westminster Presbyterian, Greenwood, MS
- 4/24 Covenant Presbyterian, Birmingham, AL
- With family in Jackson, MS
- 5/5 Faith Presbyterian, Gainesville, FL
- Family in Florida
- 5/19 Lakemont Presbyterian Church, Augusta, GA
- Family in Chattanooga
- 5/22 Lookout Mountain Presbyterian, Lookout Mountain, TN
- 6/2 New Life Presbyterian, Harrison City, PA
- Family Reunion, Jamestown NY
- Family in Columbia, MD
- 6/23 Harvester Church, Springfield, VA
- Family July 4th celebration in Michigan
- Start heading westward toward Golden, Colorado, home base



STAY INFORMED!

Dal updates Voice daily (with colleague, Martha Pike's help!) to help you stay informed about Ukraine to keep praying.

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Please pray!

- Continue praying for a JUST end to the war.
- Pray for the family of Nazar that the Lord would strengthen them with His grace.
- Pray for the safety of the many members of our churches in Ukraine that are serving in the armed forces to defend their homes.
- Pray for Ukrainian pastors and believers who continue to serve their communities and congregations through the war - pray that they would not lose heart.
- Pray for the Lord's safety during our 'SpringTour' visiting partnering churches, families, and friends.



We welcomed out 10th grandchild in March, a grandson - Kaz, born to our daughter, Johanna and Niko Knechtel. Can you tell how thankful and proud we are?? We appreciate so, so much your continued prayers and financial support during this time of limbo for us as we wait on the Lord and continue to serve.

> For the King, Dal & Beth

To join Dal & Beth's team: The Stanton's support account covers ministry expenses, salary, insurance, travel, retirement, etc. If you have any questions about this and need more information, let us know! Send checks payable to: Mission to the World ~ P.O. Box 744165 ~ Atlanta, GA 30374-4165 Indicate on check memo: Stanton #16836

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