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Missionaries to Moldova

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Dear Pastor, Praying Friends and Family,

“Stablish thy word unto thy servant, who is devoted to thy fear.” Psalm 119:38

In order to understand this verse, we need to define the word **“stablish.”** This is an old English form of the word “establish.” The definition of establish in this context is “to show to be valid or true, prove.” The Psalmist here is praying and asking God to show him that God’s Word is true and that it can be trusted. It is very important that each one of us understands the truth of God’s Word and the validity of that Word in each of our lives. Although the Bible was written thousands of years ago, it is still valid and applicable for our lives today.

There are two qualifications for the man who will have that validation of God’s Word in his life. First, he needs to be **“thy servant.”** He recognizes that Jesus is Lord, and He has surrendered his will to Him. Secondly, he is **“devoted to thy fear.”** He understands that God is Almighty and All-powerful and that he will give an account to that God. He understands that God is the Creator, and he is the created. This understanding produces the fear of the Lord. *Lord, help me to obey you and serve you and fear you so that I can properly understand Your Word to me.*



Robyn & Yelisa purchasing candy for candy bags.



120 boxes of candy!

I can say that God has proven over and over again that His Word is true as we have served Him here in Moldova. He continually provides for our needs and blesses our labor for Him as we step out in faith and do what He has called us to do.

We saw God provide the monies needed so that we could put together candy bags for various outreaches this Christmas. We would like to thank all of you that gave toward this project. With your help, **over 660 pounds of candy** were purchased and used to fill **750 gift bags!** Each of these gift bags included 30 different pieces of candy and two Gospel tracts. These gifts were prepared for distribution locally, in several rural villages, and in a hospital burn unit. We used some of the leftover candy to add to special cookie plates that Robyn puts together to distribute to our neighbors, mechanic, post office, teachers and friends – using it as an opportunity to give the Gospel. We pray that God’s Word would bring light and eternal hope to these dear people.



Yelisa with 660 pounds of candy.



Clayton & Ioani transporting candy for candy bags.

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Putting candy bags together after church in December.



Many hands make light work... 😊



These helpers have had too much candy!!



Candy bags ready to distribute.



The faithful folks in Krasnaya.

It was exciting as always to be able to take gifts to all those that came to our Christmas program in the village of Krasnaya. In a village of approximately 160 people, we were thrilled to have 90 souls come to the program! Each attendee received a candy bag, a mandarine and a candy cane. Again, Yelisa wrote, translated and directed the children as they sang and performed for their parents.



Cookies and fudges and treats!



Goodies for the folks at Krasnaya.

Through the children, we were able to introduce the villagers to the candy cane and how it is a visual picture of God's sweet Gospel to us. Using the candy cane, I was able to preach the Gospel – 1) God is our Shepherd and loves and cares for us, 2) the red stripes remind us that Jesus shed His blood for our sins, and 3) the white shows us that our hearts can be made pure and clean through the salvation He offers us by belief in Jesus' death, burial and resurrection. About 10 people raised their hands to indicate that they were concerned about their souls and that they wanted to be saved. This is the first year we have had a response like that. Please pray that the Gospel seed that has been sown in hearts would continue to grow and bring forth fruit.



Goodie trays for neighbors.

We are humbled, blessed, and encouraged by each one of you. Thank you for your prayers and support for our family as we serve here in Moldova. So many of you sacrificially gave special offerings to our family this Christmas and gave towards the candy project. It is your generosity and support that allows us to reach out to so many people.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We are so grateful for you, and we are praying for you!

Serving our Saviour,

*Clayton, Robyn,
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I Corinthians 15:57-58



Serioja and Tolik during the Christmas program.



Robyn & Tolik getting ready for the Christmas program.



Nikita, Karina & Costik with their candy bags.



Clayton preaching at the Christmas program in Krasnaya.



Our "candy store" for the play!



Christmas program in Krasnaya.



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