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***“AND THE PEACE
OF GOD WHICH
SURPASSESS ALL
UNDERSTANDING
WILL GUARD
YOUR HEARTS
AND YOUR MINDS
IN CHRIST JESUS.”***

– PHILIPPIANS 4:7

БІБЛІЯ
для юних читачів

UKRAINE

»»» SPIRITUAL BREAD AMID WAR

In Kramatorsk, Ukraine, the war is only 15–20 kilometers away. Shelling reaches the city several times a day, destroying homes and shattering lives. Yet even amid devastation, God is bringing life. **Through the distribution of Bibles in war zones, hope is reaching those who need it most.**

Our faithful partner in Kramatorsk shared how inescapable darkness seemed to close in, yet the light of Christ continued to shine. In November, Bibles were distributed in Kramatorsk at a time when the fighting was dangerously close. Along with the Scriptures, residents—many of them lacking proper physical nourishment—received basic necessities such as purified water and loaves of bread.

Among these essential items, the Bible stood as the greatest source of hope. **Because of your generosity, Ukraine—known as the breadbasket of Europe—received both physical and spiritual bread.** The Bread of Life was openly distributed to those in Kramatorsk, reaching hungry hearts eager to know their true Savior. While many came in need of daily food, God’s Word provided a deeper nourishment: spiritual satisfaction and a peace that surpasses all understanding.

As our partners continue to boldly share Christ in some of the world’s most dangerous places, we ask for continued prayer for the nation of Ukraine and for those faithfully serving there. In times marked by fear, uncertainty, and despair, the Bible remains a powerful reminder that the hope and peace found in God can shine even in the darkest places.

“This heavenly bread is very nourishing and helps us live during the sorrow we are currently experiencing in our country. People find peace.

Many are coming to the Lord, and they are very happy about it. We are distributing the Bibles actively. There are very few left.

We believe that the Word of God will make great changes in people’s lives.”

– Church Partner, Kramatorsk, Ukraine



PHOTO FROM CHURCH PARTNER IN UKRAINE

WATERPROOF BIBLES FOR UKRAINE

➤➤➤ REQUEST UPDATE FROM THE FRONTLINES

EEM Vice President Bart Rybinski shared a critical request coming from Ukrainians struggling against harsh conditions: **waterproof Bibles**.

“People have been receiving Bibles,” he says, “but the Bibles have become destroyed due to the realities of war. We want Bibles that can withstand them.” - Bart Rybinski

A waterproof New Testament isn't a novelty—it's a lifeline, keeping Scripture present where comfort and courage are needed most. Our goal is to distribute these **waterproof New Testaments** in the **Ukrainian heart language**, where every person can carry God's Word with them into the toughest conditions. Our generous donors make it possible to respond to this special request from those on the frontlines. Please join us in praying for all of those impacted by the Russo-Ukrainian War.

BIBLES FOR KIDS CAMPAIGN 2026

Our Bibles For Kids Campaign is a promise to children who have longed for a Bible but have never owned one. Today, you can place God's Word into the hands of a child or teenager, offering courage, peace, and hope that will shape their young lives. For a limited time, your generosity goes twice as far—**every gift is doubled to place God's Word into a child's heart**. Our goal is to provide **725,250 Youth Bibles in 21 heart languages**, so that every child may be brave, find peace, and know God's love.

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**BIBLES
FOR KIDS**

ROMANIA

➤➤ BIBLES FOR FLOOD VICTIMS

Our hearts break receiving the report shared from our local church partner in Bucharest, Romania. In Suceava County, disaster has struck as devastating floods have torn apart the community. Many have lost their homes, cars, livelihoods and with them, a sense of stability and joy. For some, this tragedy adds to losses already endured.

EEM partner Toni Berbece recognized the deep spiritual need amid these desolate circumstances. He frequently walks through affected neighborhoods, approaching displaced residents in the streets, praying with them, and gently pointing their burdened hearts toward God as their higher hope. Along with his congregation, Toni has prepared humanitarian aid to help meet immediate needs by providing food and clean water.

Yet beyond physical relief, there is an even greater need: for Bibles to be placed into the hands of those who have lost so much, so they may come to know the living God for themselves. Toni has expressed the urgent need for God's Word to speak life, comfort, and hope into the hearts of those facing this overwhelming destruction. Please join us in supplying Toni with the Bibles needed to quench the thirst of these people.

“PEOPLE DIDN'T KNOW THE BIBLE; THEY DIDN'T HAVE THE WORD OF LIFE—AND THAT'S A MAJOR PROBLEM IN ROMANIA. MY DREAM IS TO PUT A BIBLE IN THE HANDS OF EVERY ROMANIAN. PRAISE BE TO GOD, HE HAS HELPED US REACH TENS OF THOUSANDS SO FAR.”

– TONI BERBECE



TONI PRAYING OVER THE SUCEAVA COMMUNITY
PHOTOS FROM PROFIDES CHRISTIAN CENTER





PHOTO FROM CHURCH PARTNER IN BUCHAREST, ROMANIA

UPDATE FROM ROMANIA

»» SHEEP NOT YET IN THE FOLD

Below is an incredible story of God's abundant grace working through EEM, shared with us from our dear partners, Hands of Hope Association, in Buzau, Romania!

"Before we heard about EEM, we were able to offer far fewer Bibles. The donations we received from sponsors had to cover everything: the Bible, books on health, cooking, children and youth, books on relationships, family, and spirituality. At the same time, we were dependent on fluctuating donations to pay for the maintenance and fuel for the car and constant book restocking. Every distribution day was a step of faith. Many times, we literally didn't know how the next set of needs would be covered. It truly felt like 'walking by faith' each time we went out.

Receiving free Bibles through EEM changed everything. Instead of rationing a few copies and worrying that we might run out, we could now offer Bibles freely to those who wanted them—especially to people who had long desired one but couldn't afford it or didn't know where to get it.

We still remember one particular morning very clearly. A man came to our stand. He saw the Bibles, and told us that he used to have one but had lost it. He said he'd been wanting to buy another so he could start reading God's Word regularly again. We offered one to him and he immediately asked how much it cost. When we told him it was free, he couldn't believe it. He repeated over and over that he had wanted one for a very long time and assured us he would definitely read it now. Moments like these remind us why we keep doing this work.

Over and over, we are reminded that there are 'Sheep who are not yet in the Fold,' scattered in the most unexpected places. ***And God hasn't forgotten any of them.***"

RUSSIA

THE BIBLE WHERE IT'S LEAST EXPECTED

"We live in difficult times—so much pain, uncertainty, and doubt. What can help an ordinary person find peace—not only with themselves, but with the Giver of life? The answer is both simple and profound: it's found in the Bible."

– Local Church Partner in St. Petersburg, Russia

While many of us live in warm, secure homes, it can be hard to imagine living in a basement or in an apartment without windows or a roof. Yet in these difficult conditions, our partners continue to praise God for the opportunities He provides.

For the past three years, volunteer teams from our partner church in St. Petersburg, Russia, have faithfully traveled into war-affected regions on humanitarian missions. They bring food, medicine, clothing, and other essential supplies—but also the **Word of God**. In damaged buildings and temporary shelters, they gather with local residents to offer help, prayer, and hope.

Some members support this work by donating and printing Bibles; others carry them thousands of kilometers to places where they are least expected. But before entering each new community, the volunteers stand hand in hand, praying together for the Lord's work.



PHOTO OF ROMA COMMUNITY, ST. PETERSBURG, RUSSIA



PHOTO OF RUSSIAN FAMILY RECEIVING BIBLES

While serving those affected along the frontlines, our church partners are also ministering to Roma communities in St. Petersburg, reaching five to ten children each day. Many parents in these communities are illiterate, making the Bible the only accessible educational resource for their children. As a result, children's Bibles and Bible-based coloring books have become essential tools for learning and discipleship. Twice each month, our partners visit the camp with teams of volunteers, bringing gifts, educational materials, and clothing. Some families welcome them, inviting the team to sit and share meals. Others respond with resistance and do not wish to hear about the Lord. Even so, our partners continue to serve faithfully, showing Christ's love through consistent presence and care.

AUSTRIA

»»» THE BIBLE IS MY ONLY TEXTBOOK



PHOTO FROM ROMANIAN CHURCH PARTNER, AUSTRIA

God is moving powerfully through our partners in Graz, Austria, and the stories that emerge are deeply moving! Every Sunday, across three separate locations in Graz, our partners serve the Kingdom by setting up Bible stands in the busiest places, offering the Word of God for free to anyone who wants it. Through their daily interactions, our partners received several testimonies of how God is moving.

Testimony 1

“A Muslim man asked for a Bible to learn about Jesus. He received a New Testament in his native language and left with great joy. The following Sunday, he returned with a crate of 40 small loaves of bread, saying: ‘You gave me the Bread of Life, so I am giving you bread to give to the people.’”

Testimony 2

*“Since this spring, a Roma family has been visiting our church. They have two daughters and a son. Culturally the education of girls is not prioritized, and having lived abroad, the parents had not enrolled the girls in school. **Despite being 7 and 9 years old, the girls could not read and write.** When we gave them an Illustrated Teen Bible, they were so happy that they promised to learn to read just so they could explore it. Since then, **the parents have accepted Jesus and been baptized.** Now, as the year ends, the girls are taking Romanian language lessons to learn to read and write. **Their primary textbook? EEM's Illustrated Teen Bible.**”*

»»» THE 55:11 PODCAST

Hosted by Dirk Smith, EEM's 55:11 podcast is full of powerful stories of God's work in the lives of everyday people across the globe. Inspired by Isaiah 55:11, where we're reminded that God's Word always accomplishes His purpose, our podcast shares real-life testimonies of hearts being transformed and hope being restored. Tune in for inspiring conversations showing how powerfully God is moving in the world today!

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LEAVE AN ETERNAL LEGACY

Have you ever considered how your faith and generosity might continue to make a difference long into the future? One powerful way to extend your impact is by including EEM in your estate plans.

For many, estate planning can feel complicated, unfamiliar, or off-putting. That's why we've partnered with PhilanthroCorp to provide free, personal, and no-pressure assistance for those who wish to create or update a will or trust. Their knowledgeable team offers clear guidance at every step, helping you navigate the process with confidence—so your intentions are clearly expressed, your family is cared for, and your legacy carries eternal impact.

Whether you're drafting a plan for the first time or updating one you already have, this is a meaningful opportunity to steward the resources God has entrusted to you. Through your legacy, you can help ensure that God's Word continues reaching hearts and lives for generations to come!



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