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Dear Pastor Bias and church family:

The headlines loom large with bad news—the pandemic, protests, politicians, looting, lawlessness, economic uncertainty, threats, and fears of all sorts. Each day it seems there is a new freight train barreling down on us. But there is really good news that never makes the headlines and never gets featured on CNN or FOX: Jesus saves sinners! And to those He saves He gives life, so that through the power of His Rising, they will live and worship and enjoy Him forever. His people are witnesses to this News and are speaking its Message in thousands of languages, as our King gathers His people from all nations.

This Good News is going to be shared this summer in Christian camps in Central Asia, Ukraine, and Crimea. We received reports from the winter outreach in those places, and I want to share some excerpts from them with you.

From Pastor Igor in Crimea: We had no obstacles to hold all four meetings! Thank God! We saw in their joyful faces and heard the gratitude over and over for the fact that we came. We brought gifts, gave out Christian literature, and shared the Gospel. We visited many people who live in poverty and hopelessness. No one argued with us. Instead everyone listened to the Gospel. It was amazing!

From Natalia in eastern Ukraine: As a mother of four who is pregnant with our 5th, I was the only one who volunteered to run the camps. It was a lot of work, requiring spiritual and physical strength and a lot of resources. We prayed intensely that God would help us—and God answered and helped.

These are not just a few feel-good stories from far away. Over 40,000 have been killed or wounded in the war in their country over the past six years, and lives and homes there are broken by sin, just as they are in our country. Their bad headlines, like ours, are real and daunting; but our King is undaunted, and His mission continues by His Spirit through His servants to save sinners. By His grace, that includes us! So, we look up. But we also look around to all those who need to hear or be reminded of our great Savior! Thank you for your support and for the ways you strengthen the hearts and hands of the Igors and Natalias as they tell Good News.

Grace and peace,



Tim Keese
Executive Director

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Signed by secretary