# Good News March 2022



**Clown Therapy at Center for Battered Women in Croatia** 

#### Dear Friends,

It's almost incomprensible what has happened since our last newsletter only one month ago! Ukraine is under full-scale attack, nearly 2 million have fled the country and many more thousands have been displaced. No one knows how many have died--soldiers on both sides, most of whom have no idea why they are fighting--and thousands of civilians as well!. Some cities are threatened with starvation as the food has run out! Please pray for the Lord's miraculous intervention!

We have been meeting over the internet with anyone who can make it--friends in Ukraine who aren't able to leave, friends who have made it to Poland, even one of our Bible students in Moscow--every morning. We read Psalms together and pray. We have seen so many specific answers to prayer since we started doing this!

We are also working on getting money into Ukraine to help some of our friends who have set up shelters for orphans, disabled and elderly people.

And here in Croatia we have found many needy situations as well. In the past weeks we did clown therapy show for the children at a battered women's shelter. We also made a trip inland to the epicenter of the earthquake which hit Croatia a year ago. Many people there lost everything and many are still living in containers! We brought food and other aid to them!

Thank you again so much for all your support and prayers! Please pray especially for peace in Ukraine!

"Well done is better than well said."—Ben Franklin

#### **New Life in Croatia**



It was a holiday in Croatia--the last day before Lent--and we brought some cheer to the children at a shelter for battered women in the form of meaningful clown skits, games and songs!

## **Bringing Humanitarian Aid to Earthquake Victims**



Even though the earthquake was more than a year ago, many people still haven't recovered and are living in containers! We bought groceries and other needed items to them.

#### Last Days in Ukraine







Our little Dasha who we have been helping with expensive formula and other supplements which she needs until she is five, but now we don't know how to get these things to her! Thank you again, Gabrielle for sponsoring this!



Winter boots and coats for orphans



Bringing a donation from Tamara in The Netherlands to this mother of a young man with cerebral palsy





An electric car and blankets made by the Girl Scouts--children of American Embassy staff--for a village orphanage

#### **Words from Jesus**

# To You With Love

You are My child and I love you. It's just that simple. You have an eternal spirit living within you, and I know you and everything about your life and experiences, and I care for you.

You are living your life, making decisions, trying to figure out the best ways to live and to survive—and it's a struggle. I understand the challenges of life that you face every day. But the burdens you carry and the weights you struggle with can be lightened if you will come to Me.

Though your life will run its course and you will continue to age and then one day you will die, your spirit never dies. The real you—your spirit, that dwells within the confines



of your body—will live forever. That is why the material things of this world are not the things to strive for, because one day you must leave them behind. The things that truly matter transcend the material: love, kindness, mercy, understanding, giving. These are the things that make you rich—rich in spirit.

When the day comes that you shed the garment of your body, your spirit will be what counts. So do good. Be kind. Give generously. Love your family, friends, neighbors and those you meet in the course of your everyday life. Show mercy, kindness, and compassion. For by sharing these things—by showing love—you show Me to others.

When you come to the end of your life, you will need the key to enter into My Home, where love, joy, peace, and truth reign eternally. But you don't have to work for that key—you only have to choose to receive it. The key is acceptance of Me and My sacrifice on the cross for your redemption.

I have loved you with an everlasting love—a love so great that I came to earth and took on human form so that anyone who believes and receives Me will never perish, but will enter into My eternal kingdom.

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