



September 2, 2013

Dear friends,

Our summer camp trip to Ukraine was a big success! Many lives were touched - children, youth leaders, team members, translators, and ours also. Our camp theme, "Finding God's Treasures", made us realize that we all have great spiritual treasures through Jesus Christ, but we also have a treasure in each one of the children who attended camp. The truth of God's Word is relevant for all times and ages as we see in Isaiah 33:6 "He (the Lord) will be the sure foundation for your times, a rich store of salvation and wisdom and knowledge; the fear of the Lord is the key to this treasure."

Here is a picture of our team with the Brenna's Home children and staff, including Pastor Victor and his wife.



We are grateful that we were able to have sponsors for every child that attended camp. Sponsors paid the \$79 cost for a child to attend, and each child prepared a hand-decorated thank you note for their sponsor.

Each camp we have a special camp picture of all those in attendance. This year we took blue and yellow t-shirts (Ukraine colors) which the kids decorated and then arranged everyone in a "heart" formation (below).



Leighann (with translator Anya) led games to use English language skills



The children's day began with exercises



Meisha and Emily (with translator Iryna) led a Bible lesson for each group every morning



Annette and Maggie led crafts. Here are children creating sponsor letters and decorating t-shirts.



Every camp always involves lots of joyful singing!!



Randy and Rich took turns speaking important Bible truths for the entire camp each morning and evening.



And the children listened attentively...



A unique highlight for this camp was Budd and Ajay bringing the "Karate for Christ" program to Ukraine. This was a big hit with the campers!



Each day we had competition to unscramble the words of a Bible verse (in Ukrainian). This time the "red" team won.



We celebrated Valya's birthday at camp. Each camper made her a note or card and we put them in a scrapbook for her.



We had a variety of games and activities each day



Kim helped us keep things on schedule and was in charge of the "prize room". Here she is with Yura.



Walking to the store in the nearby village was fun!



Thanks to Girl Scout Troop 60174 we had boxes of cookies to distribute for special prizes throughout camp week!



Emily with twins Yulia and Sasha



Donna with Lilya and Sasha



Everyone loves to get in the picture...



We had an amazing week at camp. It's always gratifying to show Jesus' love to those who don't get to see it at home. It was also wonderful to have children decide to give their hearts to Jesus. Pray with us that God's truth takes deep root in their hearts and that they will truly live for Him. (You can see more pictures and video from camp by clicking the Facebook link at the end).

Summer Flood in Lutsk, July 30

The day after leaving Lutsk, the city experienced a freak storm for two hours which inundated the city with nearly 1.5 times its monthly rainfall total.



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The wind and rain caused damage (\$1500-2000) to the new balconies at Brenna's Home. The necessary replacement parts had to be ordered from the factory and repairs should be completed by the middle of September. Thanks to those who

have contributed toward these repairs. If anyone else feels led to help, please let us know.

Vanya is 18!



Back to school September 1st...

This day is called "First Bell" and "Day of Knowledge" in Ukraine. It is always September 1st, even though this year it falls on a Sunday.

Love, Rich and Donna

We always appreciate those who remember and support us on a regular basis, and those who contribute as they feel led. Together, we are building up the character of children who otherwise would have little hope. The life we offer them is truly a New Life, and we are privileged to be used in this way.

If you desire to participate in the future of underprivileged children, please send a tax-deductible contribution to the Brenna Engle Foundation, 3 Albert Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603.

Blessings to you! Love, Rich and Donna

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