

The Hope for Ukraine project continues. We are thankful to God for a Teaching Children Effectively course that was held in the Cherovtski area last week and for the many children who are being reached with the Gospel this week as a result.

We are thankful that Bogdan had the opportunity to visit the National Office in Irpen and take more backpacks for distribution.

Praise God for believers in the Netherlands who have provided 200 rocket stoves (see photo). They are very useful for the camps.

Praise God that camps are going on despite the challenges.

Praise God for opportunities to print literature in the Russian language over the next weeks.





We are thankful to God for the vision given to CEF National Offices to distribute the DYWW and other Gospel literature. CEF Britain was a great example of this. David Cook wrote a report about the 2 distributions that took place in Britain.

CEF Britain's distribution of "Do You Wonder Why?" December 2022 – May 2023

⁴ As he was scattering the seed, some fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up.⁵ Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. ⁶ But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. ⁷ Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. ⁸ Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop – a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. Matthew 13:4-8

Campaign 1 – 26 December 2022 – mid January 2023

200,000 copies of "Best Celebration Ever" and 200,000 copies of "DYWW" booklets were sent by Royal Mail Door using their Door Drop service to postal addresses in Britain, including London, Glasgow, Cardiff, Reading, Bracknell, Newbury, Bournemouth and Poole.

About 10 emails were received from late December to mid-January, mostly critical of the mailing of the booklets and rejecting their content. Some phone calls came from people who objected to receiving the booklets. One person called from London, opposing receipt of the booklets. As we discussed the campaign, we discovered that his daughters go to a faith school and the family attends a nearby catholic church. We suggested that he shows the booklets to his priest and asks for feedback. Two emails requested that we send the booklets in recyclable plastic, which we did for the second campaign. One person suggested that we include a note addressed for the parents to explain the reason for sending the booklets, which we did in the second campaign.

Examples of positive emails: -

1. From a retired minister in London. "I received your booklet 'Do you wonder why?' delivered to my house with another letter..... On the back is information about the Wonder Devotional Book. I would be interested to see that for my granddaughter (15) and possibly also your postal Bible Club. I will be grateful if you can send me more information." "It was very good to talk to you just now and learn a bit about your recent mailing campaign. I hope you will hear of more good effects from it. Thank you for offering to send a copy of the Wonder Devotional Book. I will appreciate that."
2. "Just a wee note to thank you for the pamphlet which I received shortly before Christmas."

Campaign 2 – April - May 2023

About 135,000 copies of "Meet the King" and 135,000 copies of "DYWW" booklets were sent by Royal Mail Door using their Door Drop service to postal addresses in Britain, including London, Wales, Scotland, Watford, Reading, Bracknell, Newbury, Bournemouth and Poole.

Included in the packages was an explanatory leaflet, designed by one of workers, showing that the reason for sending the Meet the King booklets was because the coronation of King Charles III was about to take place.

European law does not permit pictures of children to be posted on the internet.

We also printed several thousand more Meet the King booklets and explanatory leaflets at the same time which the printer sent to the addresses of the workers and which committee members and workers were able to distribute locally to contacts in schools, churches and local streets for the coronation.

We had both positive and negative feedback, although from fewer recipients in the second campaign than in the first.

It was a wonderful opportunity to sow good gospel seed. We experienced similar reactions as those which Jesus taught in the parable of the sower / soils! (A mixture of good soil and stony ground.)

We pray that the gospel seed sown will produce a fruitful harvest.

From CEF Ukraine

We thank God and you for helping us evangelize the refugee children of Ukraine in the CEF family.

Camps are taking place all across Ukraine. What a blessing for children. We praise God for courageous CEF workers who are determined to continue ministry at this time.

Thank the Lord for all the children's camps that are going on this summer.

Thank the Lord for the new volunteers from the children of the Good News Clubs who have grown up. (Photo of Vladimir with volunteer who was saved through his ministry 6 years previously.)

Pray, please, for peace in our country and for the protection of the Zaporozhye nuclear power plant.

Statistics:

4,311,400 Do You Wonder Why booklets have been printed and many of them already distributed. 135,000 backpacks, pens and Meet the King booklets have been purchased. They are at various stages. Over 122,000 backpacks have been filled and taken into Ukraine or given to Ukrainian children living in Europe. 125,316 Gospel bags have been prepared from Romania, Poland and Czech Republic.

