

2022 is a special year on a global scale. It also became special for the Word to Russia Mission: This is the year of our Golden Anniversary. It is difficult to describe in words our joy and gratitude to the Lord for the path we have traveled.

50 years ago, in 1972, near San Francisco, on the Grace Dome of Heaven, The Lord lit a new Star of Service, from which many other stars lit up. In partnership with the American brothers, the Lord placed on the hearts of pastor A. Efimov and Dr. K. Romanov to istablish the Radio Mission. They named it "Word to Russia".

It would take more than one page to describe the multifaceted palette of the Mission's service over the years. These are thousands of new radio broadcasts to the countries of the Soviet Union. With 5 radio stations, they covered the entire territory of the USSR behind the "Iron Curtain". Hundreds of new songs have been recorded, dozens of original programs for children and adults have been created, new branches of the Mission were opened in Russia, Ukraine, Uz-

bekistan and other countries. On a fraternal basis, the Mission cooperates with Israel, Pakistan and other countries. The publication of books by Christian authors continues, we translated and published of 100,000 New Testaments in Georgian language. About 10 years ago a Music Department was established in the Mission. Eight music teachers give free music lessons at Epic Charter School. There are ongoing radio broadcasts on local radio in Sacramento. For many years, every week, the Mission has held services at the Day Care Center for the elderly and disabled and much more.

Practically, from the first days, Michael Lokteff took part in the ministry of the Mission. In the beginning, as a volunteer, and since 1979 he headed the Mission and was its permanent leader until the transition to eternity in January 2022. We really hoped and prayed that Michael would be at the Mission's Anniversary in full health, but, as once Moses, the Lord allowed Michael to reach this milestone and called His faithful servant to the Abode of Heaven. But our sorrow is bright, for we know how Michael lived, to Whom he served, where

he went from the earth and what a good example he left to the people around him.

Special request to friends and co-laborers of the Mission. On October 8 of this year, the Mission planning to celebrate the Golden 50th Anniversary with a special Gratitude Service. We know that without the Lord, we cannot do anything as we should. Therefore, we request you: pray that the Lord will give us wisdom, to conduct this Service in the spirit of special grace from above and to glorify the name of the Lord in contemplation of the ways of serving the Mission.

As we pass this important milestone of service, the Mission expresses its special gratitude to all those who, from the beginning to the present day, took and continues to take part in the service of the Mission with his work, financial support, prayers, talents, good advice and wishes. May the Lord repay you according to the riches of His grace and may He lead you, your family and relatives, saved to the gates of the Kingdom of Heaven. "Therefore, do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward". Hebrews 10:35



#### **GOOD NEWS**

fe have good news for all friends and co-labors of the Mission. At the very beginning of the ministry in the Mission, the Lord put in the heart of Michael to make a unique historical record.

His father, Daniel Lokteff, recorded in the Mission's studio the history of the Lokteff family since their resettlement from Russia to Kazakhstan under Tsarist rule in a 19th century. As already under Soviet Union, they managed to avoid the "Holodomor" (time of terrible starvation in

USSR in 1932-33) and escape to China, where Michael was born. A few years later, China fell under the rule of the Communists and the wanderings of the Lokteff family continued. Had to make a difficult and dangerous journey across China and live in Shanghai for two years in anticipation of emigration. Then another two years of living in the Philippines and finally arriving in promised California.

Living in a new country, career, starting a family, having four children, working in a school, and Lord called Michael to work for the Mission

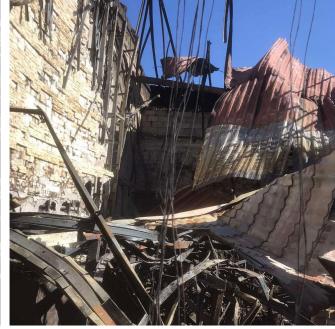
as a President. Michael was at this place for more than forty-four years. So, our joy is that shortly before he passed away, Michael finished his book, which we will present at our Anniversary Service. This book became the final chord of Michael Lokteff's life. The title of the book is "The River of Faith." You will find in it an abundance of historical facts, many unique photographs, get acquainted with unique stories from the life of immigrants, see a map of their journey and much more.

The book is being published in Russian and English and will

be presented in two versions: Gift – it will be a color book in a hardcover. The second option will be black and white in softcover. Today, the Mission is accepting orders for both versions of the book. We really need your support and ask you to provide all possible financial participation in the organization of the Anniversary in October 2022. Who will be able to send us a check for the organization of the Anniversary for \$200 dollars, the Mission will present you a book in the Color Gift version in hardcover signed by Nadia Lokteff. (In English or Russian).











Millions of people in Ukraine are going through a difficult time. Suffering and fear, death and pain — today covered the fertile land of Ukraine.

New widows and orphans are shedding tears on both sides of this war. How can we help them? How do we pray for them? The eternal Bible rushes to our aid in this matter. "Now in the same way the Spirit also helps our weakness; for we do not know what to pray for as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words; Romans 8:26

It is possible that we will not be able to put into words what the Lord would like to hear from us — for our language is poor in order to pray as it should. But our Intercessor and Comforter, the Holy Spirit, is ready to help us. How nice it is to know that we are not alone in this difficult time, that the Holy Spirit will do this work for us.

Let us fill our hearts with compassion for our brothers and sisters in Ukraine and in Russia. Compassion for all the people in this war, many of whom, perhaps against their will, are forced to participate in it. Will pray for those who are in the trenches, in the bomb shelters, who are at home and hear the tanks buzzing closer and closer every day, the bombs, shells and missiles of this war explode.

We wish that the Lord will give them the knowledge of the truth, eternal hope and salvation. In times of such crises, people shaken by suffering seek solace in the words of Scripture. Let's pray that the Lord will give repentance, wisdom from above and the fear of God to all rulers on

Earth and especially to those who are participating in this war.

The presence of the Lord in our hearts will motivate us to act, The Holy Spirit will help us to pray, and what we will not be able to say in words, The Holy Spirit will tell the Father in Heaven for us. Let us not rely on our strength and wisdom, but trust the Lord more and ask the Holy Spirit to guide and guide our prayers.







## SPECIAL FUND =

The mission "Word to Russia" has opened a special Fund to Help the Ukraine.

As you know, for more than 20 years, our Mission has its branches in Ukraine. There is no race or nationality for the Word of God. All people need to know the Lord and be saved. That was the Mission's principled position from the very beginning.

Two of our branches were in Mariupol, a city that was particularly affected in this war. About 80 percent of the houses were destroyed, the churches in which our brothers and sisters served also destroyed, their homes were destroyed and most of the believers were

forced to leave Mariupol to the Western Ukraine and to the Europe.

Now we have three teams of brothers in Ukraine. One team, from our branch in Vinnitsa, helps refugees from the Eastern part of Ukraine to get to the Western border. Two more teams of brothers from Mariupol deliver Humanitarian Aid from Poland and Germany to the villages and cities of Ukraine, where a humanitarian catastrophe is already coming. These are areas that are close to the places of hostilities. There are big problems with water, with electricity and with supply.

In addition, two brothers from our Street Ministry

team, on June 16, left to Poland for Spiritual work with refugees from Ukraine. Pray for them. They will stay there until mid-July.

We ask you to take a special prayer and financial part in this God-pleasing work. It is time for special shock on a global scale. Many countries in Europe, America and elsewhere are in turmoil and anticipation of future disasters. Millions of people face the real threat of hunger; the economies of many countries are in distress and continue to fall. The war in Ukraine, in which dozens of countries have joined, leads to the terrifying prospect of Nuclear War and it has never been more

real than it is today. Once upon a time, brothers and sisters in the Church of Jerusalem (Act.4) sold their estates, because the Holy Spirit knew that soon Jerusalem would be destroyed and everything they had would be lost anyway. Perhaps in our time, the imminent coming of the Lord, we will soon no longer need our savings, investments, real estate and we have a good chance today, to make a special deposit in Heavenly Bank:

To help brothers and sisters in Ukraine and multiply our treasures in Heaven. May the Lord help us understand the times in which we live.









#### **OUR BRANCHES**

Summer has come, but, unfortunately, this year we will not be able to hold Summer Camps for children and youth, for our branches in Ukraine. But in Russia, Uzbekistan and Pakistan, our brothers and sisters continue their hard dedicated work for His glory.

Prison Ministry and Children's Camps in Novosibirsk continues. The service of the Samara Hospice to the Oncology-Patients and the Children's Camps in Samara continues. Children's Camps

continue in Uzbekistan and Pakistan. Summer has just begun and it is not too late to support the hands of service of our brothers and sisters in these places.

#### Last Year

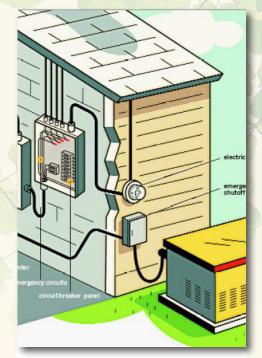
- Two camps were held in Samara, in which more than 300 people took part.
- In Novosibirsk, three camps were held with the participation of about 450 children.
- Two camps with a total

number of 190 people were held in Uzbekistan. In this number were two groups of children of local nationality.

- A Christian Summer Camp for children was also held in Pakistan. More than 200 people took part in it.
- Unfortunately, this summer there is no opportunity to hold Summer Camps for children in Mariupol and Olginka (town near Mariupol). Last year there were several shifts and more than a thousand people visited them. These

were not only children and young people, but also special shifts for the deaf, for the disabled, for children from foster families, for widows and widowers. We will pray to our Heavenly Father that the war in Ukraine ends and that our brothers and sisters, who are still alive, could continue this blessed service to children. But in Russia, Uzbekistan and Pakistan, by the grace of God, the Summer Ministry for Children continues. We ask you to provide all possible assistance in holding Summer Camps in these countries.

## **NEEDS OF OUR BRANCHES**:



The church in Lahore (Pakistan) is asking for help to purchase an electric generator. In Lahore, there are often power outages. Sometimes right during the service. The generator will be a guarantee that the services will continue in any case.

Generator price \$1,500 USD



Last year, in Lahore, one sewing center was opened to train widows and young girls in this profession. For many in Pakistan, this is the only chance to learn how to sew and earn a living. There are a lot of people who want to, and for this you need to purchase Sewing Machines.

# The price of one machine is \$80 - \$90 USD

There is an opportunity to open at least ten Sewing Centers in several districts of Pakistan. May Jesus, our American Christians, put your hearts on the needs of your little brothers and sisters in Pakistan.

Pastor Patras Inayat Lahore, Pakistan



Another of our branches in Pakistan is the Missionary Church in the city of Okara. The brothers ask for help in purchasing a motorcycle. This is the most common form of transport for evangelism in rural areas.

# Motorcycle price is \$600 USD

Pastor Amir Okara, Pakistan

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