



Crusade in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

10,000 miles from the United States and 12 hours ahead of eastern standard time, Mongolia is truly an uttermost place! The capital city houses nearly half of the country's population. Many of the people in the vast stretches of open countryside, most of whom are herdsmen, live in traditional Mongolian tents called gers or yurts. Herds of cows and horses and flocks of sheep and goats are everywhere you look throughout the countryside. Even in the capital city of Ulaanbaatar, you see many people still living in tents although most have transitioned to apartment buildings. China and Russia heavily influence Mongolia as it is landlocked between these two countries. For the second time in less than a year, the Lord opened the door for me to preach an evangelistic crusade in this far away place. This time we rented a wrestling arena in the center of the city that typically is a venue for traditional Mongolian wrestling, which is the most popular sport in the country. Around a dozen well known musicians and entertainers from across Mongolia joined us to help draw a large crowd to hear the Gospel. Hundreds responded publicly to the invitation to receive Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. I was also blessed while I was there to hold a separate youth rally, preach at a prison, and lead a conference for 90 pastors and church leaders on how to do one-on-one discipleship with new believers.



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Ukraine War Zone Outreach

In April, I traveled to Ukraine for the third time since the war began over two years ago. I coordinated with Romanian, Moldovan, and Ukrainian ministry partners for an outreach that was both humanitarian and evangelistic. We were based on the outskirts of Odessa, Ukraine, a large city on the Black Sea that has faced regular bombing since the war began. We rented three cargo vans and a trailer which we used over two days to transport 900 food bags to Kherson, a city which had a population of about 300,000 prior to the war but which today has a population of around only 50,000. It is the only major Ukrainian city to have been captured and occupied by Russia since the beginning of the war. The Russians held this city for about 9 months during the first year of fighting. Ukraine eventually recaptured the city and the Russian forces retreated across the Nipro River which runs beside the city. Since that time Kherson has been under daily bombardment by Russian forces. The people are in a desperate situation. Over a two day period we held food distributions in nine locations around the city, and I preached the Gospel publicly outdoors at each location. Around 900 families received food packets containing pasta, rice, dried beans, cereal, quinoa, flour, sugar, cooking oil, canned beans, canned meat, a box of tea bags, dish washing detergent, cookies, and a New Testament in the Ukrainian language. The scene was surreal. Drones dropped

bombs, and missiles exploded during seven of the nine times I preached. The people were grateful for the supplies and encouragement we brought them and many thanked us with tears streaming down their faces. Many people also publicly accepted Jesus Christ as their Savior.



Evangelistic Outreach in Romania

I recently held evangelistic outreaches in three Romanian towns. We partnered with local Romanian Baptist churches to help them reach their cities for Christ. We enlisted the collaboration of a famous Roma (Gypsy) musician in Romania to help us draw a crowd. As the streets filled with music, people began to gather with excitement to listen to the songs. I was thankful that even during the preaching of the Gospel, few people left and many responded to the Gospel and accepted Jesus Christ as their Savior.



Prayer Requests

May 19-22

Revival

Millers Creek Baptist Church

May 30-June 2

Crusade

Kaliua, Tanzania

June 6-9

Crusade

Urambo, Tanzania

June 13-16

Crusade

Paidha, Uganda

June 20-23

Crusade

Panyimur, Uganda

July 7-21

Evangelistic Youth Camps

Moldova