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Reaching out to a hurting world...

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Summer Camps in Glodeni

Summer is here and so is also our summer newsletter. We hope it will be a blessing to you and we hope you'll find it worthwhile reading now that you have it in your hand or on your screen. It feels a bit odd to be writing this but we're already halfway through the year. We're thankful summer has arrived, and we can enjoy it to the full. As many of you know, this is my favorite time of year.

Soon after you receive this news, I will be going to Romania for a few days. When we celebrated our 40th anniversary last fall, no trip was arranged, so it had to wait until now. I usually go in May, but for various reasons I have had to postpone my visit. That is why it will be nice to meet some of those with whom we associate. I will return with a short report in the upcoming newsletters.

In this newsletter, we write about Poland, where we have a pastor couple who work with various evangelistic initiatives alongside their work as pastors of a congregation. Read about their latest efforts in their evangelistic work on the next page. It is also time for summer camp in Moldova, an annual event that many children have been looking forward to for a long time. We already know that this is the absolute highlight of the summer for many of them. We expect about 100 children to attend. Therefore, it is always fun and a blessing to be able to invest some of our resources in this cause. Thank you for your loyal support, as we have written so many times, it means such a lot to those who are directly affected. Thanks to this support, the work can continue.

With these words, we would like to wish you all a continued great summer. At the beginning of July, the office will be closed due to our summer vacation. Our next newsletter will reach you at the end of August. We pray for God's richest blessings upon you.

Bede P. J. Jansz
International President



Summer camp is almost here. Many are eager to participate. Picture is from last year.

We have all been little once. The vast majority of us have been to a camp or summer camp at some point. Therefore, we are all very familiar with the feeling that came when the time for these camps approached, anticipation and a tingling feeling in the stomach.

I don't think that feeling is any different for the children who are expected to come to the camp that we are, once again, looking forward to arranging. From previous years, we know that it is not only the children who are looking forward to the camps taking place. Many parents want to send their children to the camps that PTPI together with the congregation arranges over the summer. The phone usually rings with parents wondering when they can register.

When we look back, it is nice to see how these camps, together with other things we do, also have a positive impact on the congregation. Over the years, we have come into contact with several families who initially "only" sent their children to the camps, but did not have any closer contact with the congregation. But this regular contact that the summer camps provide has contributed to the fact that today the children are also sent to the weekly activities. The summer camps have opened the door to the congregation.

The camps will be held during July and August. The first between July 21-26 and the second between August 11-16.

It is expected that each camp will gather about 50 children. The cost of food is about 5 euros per child each day. In addition, there are costs for various activities. There will be Bible lessons, sports activities, crafts and various competitions. The activities will be adapted to the age of the children. The costs for various activities are about 300 euros per camp. The total budget for both camps ends up at about 2,500 euros. Even though it costs a lot, it is well invested. We already express our gratitude to you who support us in our work and for your willingness to also support this recurring initiative. Together we are building God's kingdom and these children belong to God's kingdom. Thank you for your gift!



Bible education lays a solid foundation for these children and young people.

Christian Women's Forum Reaches Polish Women with Gospel



The gospel, the good news, is always seeking new paths. Through this forum, women of all ages get to hear the gospel packaged in a new format. Over a piece of food, nice music and fellowship, the gospel is proclaimed.

As a mission organization, we always want to support good initiatives so that the gospel can be preached. One of these, which we have written about before, is the Polish women's forum led by Lidia Nowakowska. Earlier this year they had another, well-attended forum for women. Below you can read Lidia's greeting from the latest event. She writes:

“Christian Women’s Forum Reaches Polish Women with Gospel. I am very happy to share a short praise report from our recent women’s meeting that took place as an event of Women’s Forum in Oleśnica, Poland. This time we decided to do it in our church building (the prices for restaurants went up a lot in these days) and the theme of the meeting was: “From the beginning” (it sounds better in Polish – Od Nowa).

We spoke on how to start all over again. “In a sense, at some point each of us has had to start a new chapter of our lives. Perhaps you came from Ukraine to Poland and had to start your life anew in another country, maybe you lost your job, went through a divorce, your relationships with others suffered, you fell ill, or someone close to you died. These are all difficult things and we need to know how to start all over again – when all strength is gone, when we feel like staying in bed for the rest of our lives, when depression and bad thoughts creep

in” – said Lidia at the beginning of her lecture. Based on the story of Ruth and Naomi in the Bible Lidia pointed to several aspects like:

1. There is hope even in the most difficult moments of our lives
2. God will not leave us alone with our problems
3. It’s important whom you trust - put your trust in God
4. Take small steps but in the right direction
5. God uses small things to accomplish great plans

There was also a testimony of Honorata who shared about her husband’s sudden death a few years ago. It happened during vacations in Egypt when he was just about 50 yrs old. Honorata had to start all over again with 12 yrs old son. But God was with her and she is strong in the Lord and a living proof that there is hope even in the darkest moments of our lives.

The whole meeting was great, quite emotional as many ladies raised their hand that they wanted to pray for their problems and needs. We heard very positive feedback and many thanks from the ladies who participated in the meeting – about 80 attendants.

I am grateful to you, Jorgen and Maria, and PTPI with all who donate their money and time to pray and support us. Thanks to your dedication and faithfulness we can spread the Gospel in our town and country. We appreciate you and we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.”

*Lidia Nowakowska
Founder*

We thank God for Lidia and her colleagues who were responsible for this event. An initiative that brings the gospel closer to people in a country that needs hearing the gospel preached.



Well attended and appreciated by many, these events are an important tool in reaching the polish women for Christ.

