

EMT Report January 2011

It was shocking to hear of the death of our dear sister NatashaTsvyashchenko in Donetsk, Ukraine. She was the director of Bible distribution For Eastern European Missions (EEM) in Ukraine. I first met Natasha in 1993 when she was a student at Kramatorsk University in Kramatorsk, Ukraine and I was the first Bible teacher in a program begun by Bear Valley Bible Institute (Denver). There were 24 students in the class (12 for credit) and Natasha was one of them. In 2008, when I was in Donetsk, Jay Don Rogers (SIBI Director) took me over to meet the director of EEM's operation in Ukraine. Natasha smiled brightly and said *"You don't need to introduce me to Royce. He was my very first Bible teacher."* There were other students in that class who gave themselves to the Lord. Natasha's family, and all whom she loved and served so well, will miss her very much.

It was also shocking to hear of the sudden death of "Mikey," the son of Mike and Molly Davidow, missionaries in Sopot, Poland. Mikey died of a heart attack at the age of 29 - so unexpected and so very difficult for his family. Please pray for these families.

MY HEALTH

This should be the last report needed to talk about my health. All the latest tests have shown to be normal. I am so blessed to have most of my strength back and am feeling much better. I have been tested by the Endocrinologist, Urologist, Neurologist, Surgeon and Primary care Doctor. All agreed that I can resume normal activities. The only Doctor I haven't seen is a Psychologist. Some friends (?)say I should have seen one of those first but I am not going there. (ha)

VIDYO

All of our classes are now switched over from Polycom to Vidyo. This new system enables us to reach many more people at a lesser financial cost.

Now anyone, anywhere in the world, can be connected by computer and High Speed Internet to a Bible teacher - Up to 8 sites in the same class.

Our folks in two different cities in Iceland are now worshipping together with preachers in the USA every week, as well as helping with the preaching in Tartu, Estonia. My classes (2-3 daily) continue 6 days a week.

I will be flying to Lubbock tomorrow (Wednesday) to attend the Sunset Vision Workshop. Sunset is changing over to Vidyo and we will be meeting to discuss the future of Vidyo Bible training. I will be able to continue some of my classes even while on the trip since I will be able to take my computer with me. Don't we live in an amazing and wonderful time?

LOCAL CLASSES

Loveta and I continue our studies with Branden & Brooke Conley on Thursday afternoons. They are a precious young couple who are getting closer to the Lord each week. When we told them I would be out of town on Thursday this week they asked "*Can't we have a class before you leave?*" So we had another class this afternoon. Their eagerness to learn about our Lord is refreshing. Snow & black Ice cancelled our Tuesday Morning men's class for today.

FUTURE

With improved health I am excited to begin plans to travel to some of the places where we have isolated Christians and to open new doors for telling the story of Jesus.

Your continued prayers and support make all the difference!!! Thank you very much.

Royce & Loveta