

Greetings to Flatwoods Missionary Baptist Church!

February 2024

God is good and He continue to bless missionary work in Lida, Belarus. Family is doing great; it is a joy to involve our family into God's work here in Belarus. Elisha, Esther and Eve are growing and participate in our worship services and in Sunday School. It was a joy to take Elisha to missionary trip for the first time, so he can participate in different service in different country.

The Lord allowed us to have great service on Sunday 11th, we had 21 in attendance from which 12 adults and 9 children. Artem was preaching on subject that God gives us true peace. God gives us strength to overcome enemy. We can't do anything without God. Now, we are God's children, when we go through our trials God gives us peace. Roma was preaching on subject to be ready to meet Jesus Christ. God will come and takes us home as His children. We need to have personal relationship with God. When we sin, we go to our Father to ask for forgiveness. The Lord hears our prayers and forgives us. It was a joy to hear Artem preaching, God has called him to preach, the Lord using him to preach His word. It is a blessing to have more brothers' preachers.

Had an opportunity to talk to one man at the market place. Asked him what does he think about the Lord? He started to talk about different religions, I have listened then, told him about Jesus and have invited him to our Sunday worship service. He said, that he will come.

We had great privilege to go to Marijampole, Lithuania on Sunday February 25th. It was a joy to visit pastor Pranas and whole Baptist Church in Marijampole. I was preaching on subject: "That our work for the Lord is not in vain". The Lord knows what we have done to Him and we will receive a reward from Him. I took on this missionary trip my son Elisha. It was a blessing for him to learn how to be a missionary. He has participated in the service by telling a Christian poem and sang a song. We pray that Elisha will grow up to become a missionary for the Lord. Pastor Pranas and church family were encouraged and lifted up to serve the Lord even more faithfully. Their church family also gave support for missionary Sergey Gendel.

While we were in Lithuania our church family had a great service back home in Lida, Belarus. Missionary Sergey Gendel has visited us, then they had great worship service and then fellowship around the tables. Attendance was 22 from which 13 adults and 9 children. It is a blessing to see church continues the services while I go on different missionary trips.

We thank you so much for all your prayers, encouragement and financial support, they mean a lot for our family and for God's work in Belarus.

With love, grace and peace in the Lord,

John, Iryna, Elisha, Esther, Eve, Eleazar and Ephraim.



#1,2 Sunday worship service on Sunday 11^{th.}

#3 Artem preaching at Sunday worship service



#4 With pastor Pranas and his wife Roma,

#5 Me, Elisha, Roma and her sister Ruta,

#6 Church visit in Marijampole, Lithuania



#7 Elisha participates at worship service in Marijampole, Lithuania, #8,9 Worship service back home in Lida, Belarus on Sunday 25th



#10 Fellowship around the tables on Sunday 25th.