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Bible First Is Here!

On December 14th, the letter below was sent out by e-mail announcing the official launch of Bible First! We invite you to avail yourself of this new evangelism tool at www.biblefirstcourses.com. May God bless you as you minister for Him!

I must admit there were times when I feared this day would never come. For years we've worked on developing our Bible correspondence course, always pressing ahead towards the time when we could release it to the world.

Although we've used the course here in Ukraine since mid-2006, we've also had to make many changes and updates along the way. Developing Bible First has been a huge learning process for our team. Before making it available for others to use, we wanted to be sure it was ready. Our team has put

in countless hours of work on this course - writing, editing, designing graphics, revising, publishing, and all the while maintaining long-distance relationships with hundreds of Ukrainian students.

Meanwhile, many of you have been faithful to pray for us, write to us, and keep our feet to the fire as we worked on this project. In fact, if I had a dime for every time I've heard the question, "When will Bible First be ready?", I'd be a wealthy man. Happily, the day has come when



BUT AS WE WERE ALLOWED OF GOD TO BE PUT IN TRUST WITH THE GOSPEL, EVEN SO WE SPEAK; NOT AS PLEASING MEN, BUT GOD, WHICH TRIETH OUR HEARTS. 1 THESSALONIANS 2:4

that question will be forever obsolete. All joking aside, we are very grateful for your patience and for encouraging us to keep going.

Finally, I would like to thank each member of our team who worked on this project. Nathan, Katelin, Jessie, Teresa, Denise, Pat and Kelsie - you are the best co-laborers any missionary could ever ask for, and it is a great privilege to call you my friends. While our work is never finished, today is certainly a milestone.

And so, without further ado, from all of us at Euro Team Outreach, we are very pleased to present...

Bible First!

www.biblefirstcourses.com

In Christ,
Joshua Steele
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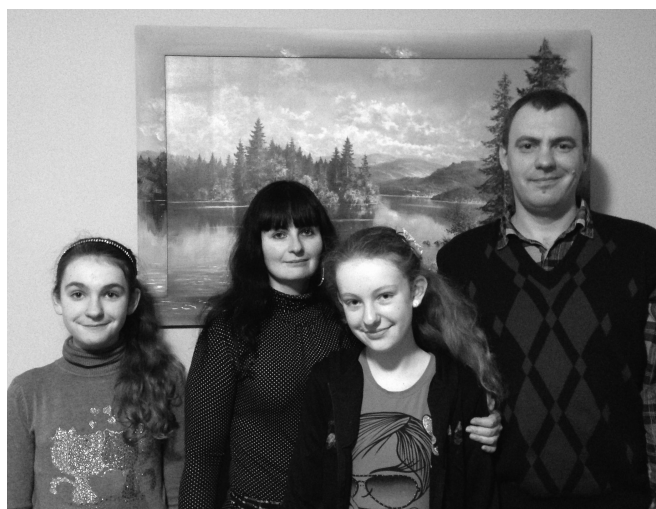
As of this writing, six of the twenty lessons which make up the *Bible First* course are available for purchase via our web site. More will be released in the coming weeks and months. We encourage you to visit our web site where you will find details. If you would like to be informed of future Bible First updates and releases, be sure to subscribe to ETO's email newsletter here: www.euroteamoutreach.org/subscribe

Vasyl and His Family

Ever since his conversion last May, Vasyl has shown the genuine fruits of repentance. I've often said that I can always tell a true disciple because he won't leave me alone! This statement is certainly true of Vasyl. He is full of questions about the Bible, and calls me often.

After our family returned from the United States in November, I suggested to Vasyl that he and I begin meeting once a week to study the book of Romans. Normally, I would begin a study like this in Genesis, but Vasyl has been reading his Bible for so long on his own that he already has the foundation of general Biblical knowledge which most lack.

At our first meeting, we followed the usual format: read the passage together and discuss it afterwards. When we had finished, Vasyl wanted to know if it



From the left: Ulyana, Ira, Yaryna, Vasyl

would be alright for him to come by the office more often. "That way," he said, "we can have more time to study." You can imagine my answer!

Vasyl has a wife, Ira, and two daughters: Yaryna (13) and Ulyana (11). Just a few days ago, we were blessed with the opportunity of hosting their family at our house for dinner. It was encouraging to get to know them better. Then today, as I was preparing this newsletter, Vasyl called up and said that they would like our family to come to dinner at their home this week!

Like all Ukrainians, this family is suffering financially from the weak economy. Just finding enough money for food can be difficult. Vasyl and I have had several conversations about God's guidance and provision, and I believe that God is using this time of trial to build faith in Vasyl. Please pray for him and his family, that the Lord would draw each of them to Himself.

How You Can Pray

- Praise God for the launch of *Bible First!*
- Pray for Vasyl and his family.
- Pray for our residency extensions due in March.
- Pray for a good team of men for CMO 2013. More on that next time.

To God be the Glory