4 publication dedicated to making known the ways in which God is showing Himself strong on the behalf of those who serve Him

Joshua & Kelsie Steele

www.OFReport.com

October 2008

The CMO 2008 team - In front: Nathan Day, Joshua Steele - Standing: Benjamin Anna, Micah Nelson, Andrew Wissmann, Matthew Day, Josh Dasher, Roy Gregson -Guy on van: Jessie Beal

MO is now over. Yes, it's been over for a little while now. So what happened to the OFR? Trust me, it was alive and well in my mind... we just never quite had the time to get it to your mailbox.

Hopefully, most of you have been keeping up with our ministry via the ETO web site and our blog updates. But just for the record, here is an overview of what we've been doing over the summer.

Film Showings

As you may already know, one of our primary objectives during CMO is showing an evangelistic film called The Light of the World. Our team oversaw the Ukrainian translation of this film, and we have been using it here on the field for three years now with positive results. Our approach is to show the film (which gives a chronological overview of the Bible with an emphasis on Christ as the Messiah) and then preach a Gospel message at the end. We also hand out lots of Bible literature to those who attend the showings, including copies of Good and Evil, starter packets for our Bible correspondence course, Gospel tracts and more. This

(continued on page 3)



Overseas Field Report page 2

Our Ministry...



at a glance

ABBARM, ADYT БОЖИЙ WOMEN IN WOMEN IN META YPOKY - Murrare upo food offerend, and of squared in - Murrare position and offerend, and offerend in - Murrare upon food offerend, and offerend in - Murrare upon the control of the position of the offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters." Food offerend in - Murrare upon waters. "Food offerend in - Murrare upon wate

Chronological Bible Course

As our outreach in Western Ukraine continues to expand, we are very encouraged to see our Bible school enrollment expanding with it. With well over three hundred students, and new

ones signing up on a regular basis, the Word of God is being taught to far more Ukrainians than we could ever reach on our own. As we move into fall and winter, CBC lesson development is one of our top priorities. In addition to printing new lessons, several of our staff are kept quite busy grading lessons for existing students, sending out new lessons, answering letters, and a dozen other tasks that a course of this size demands. We are currently developing our 12th lesson in the course, which deals with Abraham and the subject of imputed righteousness.



CBC Admin (pictured above) is a web-based content management system which we use to grade and track all the students in our school.



Rebekah Praise

Family Update

In late May of this year, we learned that our landlord was forced to sell one of his two apartments and would be moving into ours. Thus we began searching for another place to live, and in mid-July we moved into a tenth-floor apartment located about 5 km. outside the center of town. This new apartment has turned out to be a real blessing in many ways, not the least of which is an extra bedroom. Our two little girls, Abby and Beka, are growing bigger (and we think cuter!) all the time. They are the sunshine in our lives and we are unspeakably grateful to the Lord for entrusting these children to our care. Abigail is three now and talking about everything imaginable. She is already turning into quite the little mommy, training all her dolls just like she sees Kelsie training Rebekah. "No-no, Baby. May not fuss! Have to go night-night." Rebekah, now eight months old, is a continual delight, smiling at the whole world every chance she gets. For more family news and photos, be sure to check our blog: www.OFReport.com.



CMO 2009

Our third Carpathian project has ended, and already plans are being laid for a fourth: CMO 2009. Every summer, as our teams travel through the remote villages of the Carpathian Mountains, hundreds of Ukrainians have the opportunity - most for the first time - to hear the Gospel of salvation by faith alone. Our team is continuing to disciple those who have responded to the message via the correspondence course, but there are still thousands who haven't heard. Please pray with us that God will raise up yet another team of men who will join us for the '09 project. In the weeks to come, we will be posting updated information regarding CMO 2009 on our ministry web site: www.EuroTeamOutreach.org.



Good and Evil Project

During CMO 2008, we handed out about 800 copies of Good and Evil Short, a 32 page edition of Michael Pearl's Bible comic book. The Ukrainian translation of the full version of Good and Evil was completed early this year, and is now being printed in Kiev. The process has been delayed several times due to factors beyond our control, but we hope to receive a shipment of 5,000 copies in the next month or two. If you are interested in purchasing copies of Good and Evil or Good and Evil Short in Ukrainian, please contact us for details. www.EuroTeamOutreach.org

Overseas Field Report page 3

CMO 2008: A SUMMARY (continued from page 1)

year, we were able to show the film in nine different villages in the Carpathians. In the vast majority of cases, people responded quite positively to our presentations and some even asked if we would visit them again!

As we move into our fourth CMO project next year, we are exploring various strategies for "second showings" in those villages where the response has been positive. For the time being, we are keeping in touch with these people via the correspondence course, but in the future we hope to be able to return to such villages for further teaching and discipleship.

Good and Evil

This is the second year that we have distributed Michael Pearl's Bible comic book, *Good and Evil*, here in Western Ukraine. It has proven to be an effective ministry tool and is typically well received by Ukrainians. There are some villages where, for various reasons, we are unable to show the film. Instead, our team of men will go door to door, distributing copies of a 32 page edition of



Benjamin Anna hands out copies of Good and Evil Short at a small store in the Carpathians.

CMO 2008 - By the Numbers

The Lord opened many doors for our team this year as we published the Gospel throughout Western Ukraine. The numbers below are intended to provide a brief summary of what was accomplished.

CBC/Good and Evil invitations distributed	131,400
Gospel tracts distributed	2,800
Good and Evil's distributed	
CBC Starter Packets distributed	168
I was the name of the state of the	
Villages where film was shown	9
Total film showing attendance	276
Villages reached with literature only	5
Requests received since June 1st for CBC/Good and Evil	126

Good and Evil (we call it Good and Evil Short) to all who will take them. Good and Evil Short covers the story of the Bible up through Abraham and also offers the reader a copy of the full version by mail free of charge. We continue to receive requests for the full version, which is currently being printed in Kiev. We believe that as more and more Ukrainians receive copies of Good and Evil, they will be moved to read the Word of God for themselves, and thus come to know its Author.

Missions Training

CMO has two primary goals. The first is, of course, the publishing of the Gospel amongst those in Ukraine who have not heard - chiefly in remote regions of the Carpathian Mountains. Our second, no less important goal, is to provide training for young men in foreign missions endeavors. This year, the Lord sent us an outstanding team of six young men who served faithfully alongside us as we preached Christ.



Joshua Dasher preaches on the street while Nathan draws and Joshua translates.

Our approach to missions training is hands-on. We believe that the best way to become a soul-winner is to minister alongside those who already have experience in this area, learning by example. Throughout the summer, the CMO men were engaged in such activities as large-scale distribution (someliterature times thousands per day), language study, open-air preaching through an interpreter, and chalk art presentations. In addition, they learned what is involved in actually living overseas, dealing with a foreign government, etc.

We are very grateful for the part we have been able to play

(continued on page 4)

Overseas Field Report page 4

CMO 2008: A SUMMARY (continued from page 3)

in helping equip these men for future service, whether at home or abroad. I can say with certainty that much of what was accomplished this year in Ukraine would not have been possible without their help.

The Correspondence Course

Our Bible correspondence course continues to be one of the core elements of our ministry here in Ukraine. The outreaches which took place this year underscored yet again the vital importance of a strong literature program. As we traveled from village to village, we not only preached the Gospel, but we established contact with the people who responded, ensuring the possibility of future discipleship.

Every time we show a film in the Carpathians, we hand out "starter packets." These contain a copy of the first lesson in our course, an introductory letter, and a return envelope. In order to enroll, a student simply completes the lesson and mails it to our office in L'viv. In other areas (such as L'viv itself) we distribute large



Micah Nelson hands out literature (Good and Evil, starter packets, etc.) after a film showing in the Carpathians.



Josh and Kelsie ... uhh ... setting up the tent? Our family enjoys camping when we get the chance. Sometimes Mom and Dad can get a little distracted though... ♥

quantities of bi-fold invitations for the course. The result is that we now have a growing database of hundreds of students who have written to express interest in studying God's Word. Many of these are continuing on, faithfully completing each lesson as they learn more about the Savior.

As we move into the winter months, our team continues to develop new lessons in the course.

Looking to Next Year

Already, plans are being laid for CMO 2009. We invite you to pray that God would raise up men to come and serve with us as we publish the Gospel in the Carpathians and throughout Western Ukraine. For continuing updates on CMO 2009, please check our ministry web site: www.euroteamoutreach.org. We will be posting updated information about next year's project very soon.

How YOU Can Pray

(Yes, this would normally be on page 1, but we needed room for some pictures this time. ©)

- Pray that God would give us wisdom and focus as we continue to develop new lessons for the correspondence course.
- Pray for the people who heard the Gospel this year in the Carpathians, especially those who have signed up for the course.
- Pray for the CMO 2009 team.
- Pray for the health of our team.
- Pray for our children (Abby and Rebekah) as we train them to seek the Lord.
- Pray for political stability in Ukraine, and a continued open door to the Gospel.

To God be the Glory