

EDITION 10 - ZAPORIZHIA

FAMILIES ON THE EDGE

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your map at home.
Can you find
Zaporizhia?



BUILDING A FAMILY IN ZAPORIZHIA

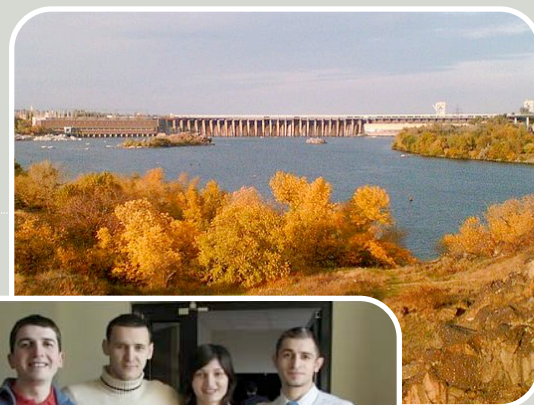
Over the past 15 years, many people from Zaporizhia have been baptized in the church in Kiev. In fact, three such brothers have gone on to lead churches in Ukraine – In Kharkov, Zaporizhia, and Dnepropetrovsk. Coincidentally, all three went to the same school growing up. In fact, they all lived in the building, from the same building entrance! Maxim Dubovski (Kharkov) and Andrey Dubovski (Zaporizhia) are brothers. Zhenya Hill (now leading in Dnepropetrovsk) and Andrey Dubovski were baptized on the same day. Isn't God's plan amazing?

In 2005, Andrey and Mila Dubovski moved home to Zaporozhia, and five close friends and students came with them to help start a church there. After two years, Andrey's parents were baptized! They are still faithful and living in Zaporizhia. However, many who came on the team have had to return to Kiev or elsewhere.

Andrey and Mila recently made the difficult decision to leave Zaporizhia and move to Dnepropetrovsk, not far away, to serve the church there. However, they have not stopped dreaming of building a church in Zaporizhia! Now, once a month, a team from Dnepropetrovsk travels there to share their faith and conduct a worship service.

Please Pray for Us!

Please pray that God brings many people to Him in Zaporizhia, that they will be baptized, and that He gives disciples the desire to go there and help in the mission. We look forward to sending you good news about a church in Zaporizhia!



Andrey and Mila Dubovski (right), with Zhenya and Vova, two brothers who sacrificed two years of their lives to serve in Zaporizhia.

SHARING YOUR FAITH WITH YOUR FAMILY

Tanya and Nadya's Story

Two years ago, when sharing their faith on the streets of Zaporizhia, sisters met a girl named Nadya. She started to study the Bible with disciples but wasn't ready at that time to get baptized. However, she invited her friend Tanya to church. In Kiev, Tanya began to study the bible and was baptized! Some time later, Nadya and her boyfriend Vitalic began to study the Bible. They made a decision to become disciples, and were baptized on the same day. Then, the next day, they got married! That same year (2007), Nadya gave birth to their first child, a daughter. Now, they are faithful disciples in Kiev, and are soon moving into their first home. They dream about the salvation of Nadya's sister Lena, who has visited church numerous times, as well as their parents.

Now, Tanya is praising God with her musical talents in Kiev, encouraging many people with her singing and conducting the church choir. However, she too keeps on dreaming about salvation of people in Zaporizhia, especially her family.

Last fall, Tanya organized a weekend mission trip to Zaporizhia. Brothers and sisters from Kiev met with a small team from Dnepropetrovsk and shared their faith on the streets. On Sunday, they held a worship service, giving the few disciples in Zaporizhia a chance to meet together with other disciples. Tanya had been dreaming for her family to get to know the church better, and on this trip disciples stayed in the home of Tanya's parents and spent time talking, laughing, and sharing with them about God!

God has worked powerfully in Zaporizhia through the faith and desire of a few disciples to share their faith with their family members!



Mila Dubovski, with Nadya (center), and Tanya (right)

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK:

"Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins... The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off – for all whom the Lord our God will call."

ACTS 2 :38 - 39



Team of disciples in Zaporizhia

DISCUSSION:

Tanya and Nadya both dream about helping their families to find God. Who in your family do you dream will become a disciple?

What are some ways to share your faith with your family?

ACTIVITY:

For the whole family:

Think about some ways to encourage your relatives and to share with them about God. Make a list of ideas and pray together for your family.

CHALLENGE:

Make a plan for how you will reach out to your family this month.

And, please pray for God's church in Zaporizhia!