## Greetings Friends,

This month passed very quickly. Although it was calmer than the previous ones, we had some very interesting events. We organized lectures and a panel discussion with a philosopher, university lecturer, brother in Christ, who shared with us the topic: "Christian thought and the ideologies of the 21st century". Changes in the world are so fast, they affect various areas of social life. We need to stop sometimes to understand what is happening. We say that "not all that glitters is gold", that is, not everything that seems comfortable and good at first glance will benefit us, looking far into the future. The lectures helped to understand these issues.

We made a decision to continue helping in the ministry of the homeless, although some of the duties were taken over by the "People for People" Association, working among the homeless, which Adrian founded. In November, we want to organize a collection of warm clothes, help in volunteering with weekly soup feeding, and in December we want to collect food and some items for children from poor families.

In October, we started the "Good News Clubs" to which children from outside the church are invited. We also hope for better contact with the parents of these children, praying that God will give them the opportunity to contact us and we will invite them to church for a Sunday service. The vacant part of the church building (our former apartment) is conducive to making coffee and having a cake and time with parents. We are happy to see new people in the church.

Marcin is with us. He was a banker, but because of alcohol and cocaine he hit rock bottom. Then he found himself in a Christian center for addicts. That is where he converted. Having a lot of time to ponder the Word and think about life, he decided to end his banking career. He looked for God around the center, not knowing that there were evangelical churches in the area and other believers. He has barely left the center, and two banks have already begun applying for his return to the industry due to the very good results he has achieved. Marcin, however, discovered a vocation to serve among the elderly, the sick, and those dying. He started working in a hospice, where he takes care of disabled people with great patience, reads them the Bible, and preaches the Gospel. He is also very active in individual evangelization. Praying, "by accident" he found our website on the Internet and so he came to us. When you listen to him sharing the gospel in a simple and convincing way, you can see God's gift ... it's good that he no longer deals with offering banking products, now he shares the Gospel with an extraordinary passion. God is now using it in his business for a bank where neither moth nor rust tarnish, nor thieves undermine and steal. Marcin asked to be a member of the congregation. He was just sharing his testimony of conversion on Sunday, and then we will continue our individual meetings. He needs prayers that the Lord will lead him, correct him, as he calls it - to guide him through the Word.

The desire to join our church community was expressed by Piotr and Esther, as well as Damian and Edyta. We also pray for these married couples and their children.

Kamilla and her team continue to teach the youngest children. We are happy to have Sunday School on Sundays. We have 3 groups. We see the children benefit more from Sunday time than when they sat in a service with their parents. When the children did not concentrate for long, the parents were committed to finding activities for the children or to pacify them. Sometimes it wasn't easy. So, there is a blessing every Sunday that we leave the church building now that classes for children are here.

On St. Nicholas' Day, we are planning a street evangelism campaign as we did last year. On this day, children and parents learn that a gift has come from heaven for every human being. We are at the stage of forming a team and gathering evangelistic materials.

We were delighted to begin a Bible study of the letter to the Romans. In times of relativism and disregard for sound teaching, we need to recall the golden doctrines of biblical Christianity. I will conduct all lectures for volunteers every week on Wednesday until the end of the year.

We are happy with the new Ukrainian family, for whom we want to provide spiritual care and help (picture below– grandmother Luba, mother - Tania and little girl Alisa). They come from Kharkiv, which was destroyed 90% with incendiary cluster weapons. They have nothing to go back to.

I am also involved to some extent in establishing a Ukrainian church in Katowice, the capital of our region. There are several dozen people who want to develop their faith and grow spiritually within the framework of the free evangelical church. I am asking for prayers. See the picture, below, from our church council meeting with those who will be responsible for teaching and leading the new congregation.

Finally, I would like to announce that we met for the first time in five years (after pandemic c-19) as representatives of evangelical churches in our southern region and decided to organize two children's camps together. The widespread high prices mean that many families in the next year may have trouble sending their children to camps somewhere further away. In addition, we see increasing difficulties in finding good Bible camps. These matters were the first spark to meet the needs of parents. We hope that we will manage to gather the camp staff.

Next year, we also want to get involved in the Christian Culture Week's 10<sup>th</sup> Jubilee in Katowice, the capital of our region. It will be an event broadcast LIVE by the regional media. There is a lot of organizational work starting in January. We want to invite to a concert this singer who honored the 20th anniversary of our local church. Unfortunately, the cost of her arrival with the band is currently over \$2,000. This cost would be met by four churches, but there are evening concerts every day during Evangelism Week. This singer, however, is the most recognizable and we want her to end this jubilee week. Please consider if you could support this work. There is still a lot of time to decide this matter.

As to personal matters, when it comes to renovating the house, your funds have already been used 100%. We have to do the final renovation of the floor, we are waiting for the installation of the fireplace, and we want to take care of the stairs and handrails soon for safety reasons. Unfortunately, we had a failure of underground tanks connected to the sewage system, and we have to replace these tanks with new ones. Now they must be more ecological according to EU regulations. Again, an unplanned cost (\$2000). Apart from these renovation surprises, everything is fine with us. We are hopeful and rejoice in God's blessing.

We are expecting another family member - a granddaughter due around December 1st. We are so excited!

We greet you warmly. God bless you,

Tomasz and Kamilla





Ukrainian family in church

Romans Bible Study



Conference on 21<sup>st</sup> Century Ideology