



Serving the people of Poland since 1954 - 70 years
Polish Christian Ministries August 2024

*"... let him who speaks My word speak My word in truth... Is not My word like fire?" declares the LORD,
"and like a hammer which shatters a rock?" Jeremiah 23:28-29*

REGENERATION CAMP



Two PCM volunteers, Jamie Howard and her son, Russell, served at the reGeneration Camp in mid-July at Ostróda Camp. This camp was co-directed by our PCM ministry partner, Oksana Bilous, and Kyle Duba, our partner from Faith 2 Faith Ministries. This year 95 teens gathered at the camp, along with nearly 30 staff. Pastor Arek Kotlewski (Dzialdowo) was the main speaker on the theme "Hungry." We thank God for so many young hearts and minds that were touched by the presence of God during that week.

OSTRODA CHURCH



We recently shared about the 70 years of PCM's ministry in Poland at the church in Ostroda. Pastor Zbigniew Chojnacki is retiring from his pastoral position and Andrzej Zielinski will be assuming his role effective September 1. We are thankful for this church and the influence it has had on the lives of so many throughout the years. May God continue to bless them as they make Jesus known in their region and beyond.

FAIRMOUNT TEAMS



The Fairmount Christian Church in Mechanicsville, VA, brought a team to Poland in late July to serve in two locations. Pastor Chris Santasiere (PCM Board member) led part of the team to Działdowo to partner with Arek and Asia Kotlewski in leading a daily kids camp and providing English classes. Chuck Rogers led the rest of the team to Lublin where they are partnering with Marek and Zofia Charis, helping host a picnic for kids and serving in a variety of Initiatives throughout the week. We are thankful for Fairmount CC and the support they provide our Polish churches through prayer, finances, and acts of service.

HOMER, ALASKA



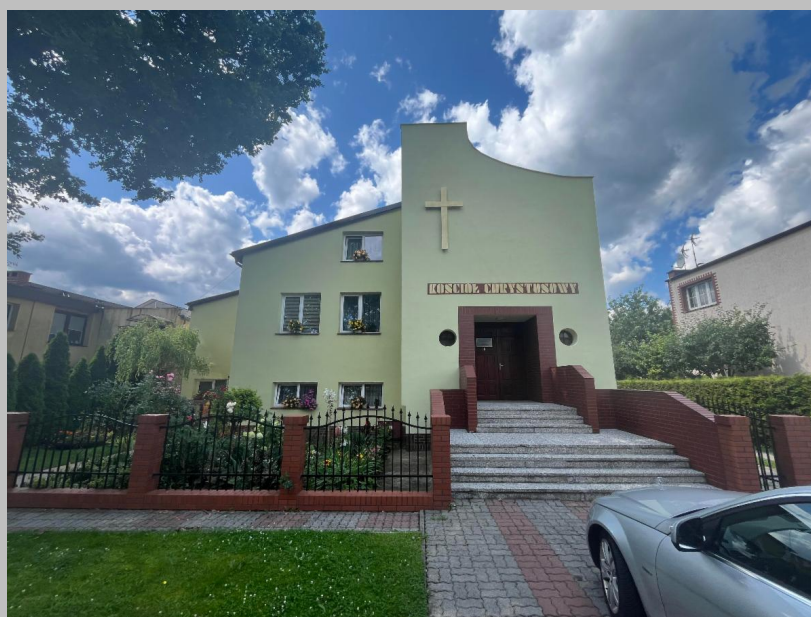
The Homer Christian Church in Homer, Alaska, has been supporting PCM for over forty years. They are a Living Link with Piotr Bronowicki and the church in Biala Podlaska. This past weekend we had the wonderful opportunity to stay with our friends in Homer and worship with the congregation. They are currently searching for a new pastor to shepherd their flock. We so appreciate their hospitality and pray abundant blessing over them as they faithfully proclaim the Gospel in their community and support the work in Poland.

RENOVATION PROJECTS

PCM provides funds for church buildings, as well as for the renovation of current structures. Recently, the churches in Ciechanow and Bialogard underwent renovation.



The church in Ciechanow recently renovated their chapel. They built stretch ceilings, replaced window sills, installed decorative walls, purchased new lighting, and replaced two sets of double doors. Their meeting area looks so welcoming as they greet those who gather there for worship.



The church in Bialogard renovated the cross and sign out front, fixed walls and stairs, painted and repaired doors and the fence, and replaced gutters. Much work has been done, although there is still more work to complete. We are thankful we can play a part in funding these renovations to create a nice space for believers to gather.



The building project in Biala Podlaska continues to move forward. This church is being built from the ground up. The exterior of the main building with the sanctuary (background) is nearly finished and work has begun on the educational wing (foreground). We look forward to the day when the project is finished and the congregation can gather in this place and welcome many to join them in praising God.



DID YOU KNOW? ...

... Adela Bajko translated many songs into Polish and produced songbooks for use in the Polish churches. She used a "Musicwriter" typewriter with music symbols for keys. In 2015, Adam Kosewski (CSM Director) met Adela and showed her the computer software he uses to create music. She was amazed. The tools have changed, yet the vision remains the same.



The Musicwriter used by Adela to create songbooks for the Polish churches.



Adam Kosewski with Adela and Paul Bajko at their home in Maryland. Just like Adela, Adam has a great desire to provide music for the Polish churches so the praises of God might go forth and the hearts of the people may be encouraged in the faith. God is faithful to raise up skilled musicians with hearts to worship Him in every generation.

IN MEMORY & HONOR

***Gifts given in
memory of ...***

Alice Hatfield

by Brighton Christian Church

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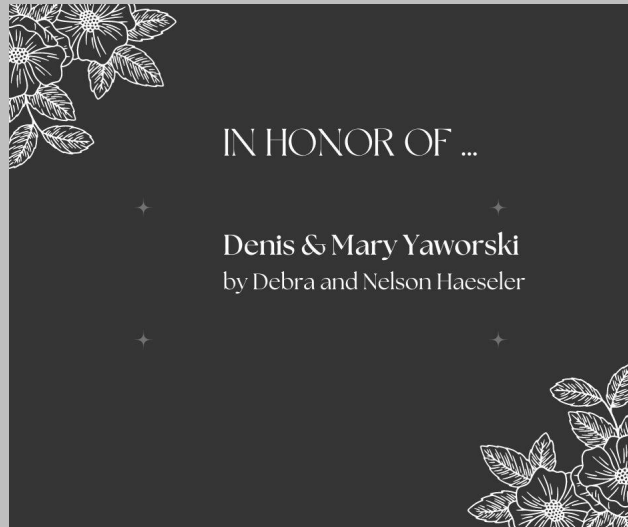
by Dirck Spencer

Charles & Dolly Steele

by Mark & Marla Steele

Jan Wesner

by George & Martha McDonald



UKRAINIAN REFUGEE RELIEF



It's been almost 2 1/2 years since Russia invaded Ukraine in February, 2022, but our Polish churches continue to provide assistance for Ukrainian refugees. Hundreds still gather to receive food and supplies at the Warsaw "South" church. Warsaw "West" provides resources and activities for the Ukrainian community. The Sandomierz church just provided a camp for Ukrainian mothers and their children. Many of our churches continue to send transports of goods into Ukraine. We are blessed by each church's response and their heart for the Ukrainian people. May the love of Jesus be seen in every act and may hearts be receptive to receive salvation in His name.



In JULY PCM sent \$18,000 to Poland for the purpose of Ukrainian refugee relief:

- 1) Food Distribution centers in Poland - \$5,000
- 2) Polish churches for housing/food - \$7,000
- 3) Transports to Ukraine from four Polish churches - \$6,000

PCM has committed to sending funds to help our Polish churches and Ostroda Camp provide food and housing for Ukrainian refugees. Every donation is deeply appreciated.

Praise God for ...

... these U.S. churches who gave up to \$1,800 in 2023:

Grove C/C, Gambier, OH
First BC, Northville, MI
Joppatowne CC, Joppatowne, MD
New Found C/C, Glen Allen, VA
First CC, Carmi, IL
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Faith C/C, Burlington, IN
Maysville CC, Maysville, KY
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First CC, Harve de Grace, MD

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Second BC, North Stonington, CT
Voluntown BC, Voluntown, CT
CC of East Sparta, East Sparta, OH
First CC, Grayville, IL
Central CC, Savannah, GA
Forks of Johns Creek, New Castle, VA
Oak Grove C/C, Oak Grove, VA
First CC, Dadeville, MO
Southside CC, Ottawa, IL

Beacon BC, Taylor, MI
Camelback CC, Scottsdale, AZ
Stronghurst CC, Stronghurst, IL
Western Hills CC, Tranquility, NJ
Brady Lane C/C, Lafayette, IN
Grace BC, Kilgore, TX
Faith Bible EF, Woodstock, CT

... the U.S. volunteers who came to serve this past month in Ostroda Camp, Dzialdowo, Lublin, and Sandomierz.

... the Polish churches as they continue to care for Ukrainians - both in Poland and via transports to Ukraine.

... the generous response from supporters to enable the work in Poland to continue.

Please pray for ...

... an end to the war in Ukraine.

... the many Polish churches who are in a period of transition as pastors retire and new pastors assume their roles.

... Kazik Barczuk (Send Me Ministry) as he recovers from hip surgery.

... PCM Board members Connie Davis and Paula Styles who are both dealing with cancer and need God's healing touch.

... David and Sandy Hatfield's travel schedule:

August 3-4: Kenai Christian Church, Kenai, Alaska
September 1: Pleasant View Church of Christ, Cassapolis, Michigan
September 8: Concord Christian Church, Concord, Illinois
September 22: West Waynesboro Church of Christ, West Waynesboro, Virginia

If your church is interested in having PCM connect with your congregation in person or via live stream or Zoom, please contact David at dave.hatfield777@gmail.com or call him at 810-923-0226.

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