# Serving the people of Poland since 1954 - 70 years **Polish Christian Ministries July 2024**

The work of God is this: to believe in the ONE He has sent. (John 6:29)

#### **CHANGED LIVES IN PABIANICE**



The month of June began with a weekend of rejoicing as we gathered with believers from the Genesis Nova church in Pabianice. On Saturday we enjoyed a picnic together and then celebrated as seven were baptized into Christ. We heard many testimonies of God's power to change lives. On Sunday we reflected on "Jego moc" (His power) that works in us to do more than we can think or imagine. We thank God for Kamil Wlazlowicz and Lukasz Wysocki and the congregation at Genesis Nova. Truly God's power is at work among them!

#### **TEAM PABIANICE**



A team of five (from ME, PA, and TN) spent the week in Pabianice providing English conversation sessions for those who wanted to improve their English. This was an outreach of the Genesis Nova church, using the "Let's Start Talking" curriculum based on the book of Luke. It was a great way to encourage relationships and build bridges with the community. Thank you, Team Pabianice, for serving with such joy and dedication.

# **TEAM BIALA PODLASKA**



Pastor Steve Bolin (PCM Board member) and his wife, Tracey, brought a team from Thrive Church in Camby, IN. They are Living Links with the church in Biala Podlaska and have previously brought teams to serve alongside this congregation. As part of the new

building project, they hauled large quantities of dirt to direct drainage away from the building. We are thankful for the partnership between these two churches and the relationships that have been established.

## **TEAM OSTRODA CAMP**



Olga Bajko (daughter-in-law of PCM founder, Paul Bajko) led a team from the Slavic Church of Christ in Baltimore, MD, to serve at Ostroda Camp. Besides completing various work projects at the camp, they provided preaching and music at the Ostroda church, visited an orphanage for Ukrainian children, and developed friendships with teens in town. We are so thankful for their joyful spirits and the wonderful service they provided. We hope to see them again in Poland sometime soon.



#### **DID YOU KNOW? ...**

... Paul and Adela Bajko returned to Poland in 1963 with their three children for a 2-month visit. At the time, Andrew Bajko was six years old. Last year, Andrew returned to Poland with his wife, Olga, and their two daughters. They came again this summer, and hopefully this trend will continue.



Paul and Adela visiting Poland in 1963. Andrew is the young boy on the left.



Pastor Zbyszek Tarkowski at the "Pulawska" church in Warsaw, made a special presentation honoring PCM for 70 years of service in Poland. He welcomed Andrew and Olga Bajko to the stage along with PCM Executive Director, David Hatfield. We are thankful for the Bajko family and for the Polish pastors and ministry workers with whom it is such an honor to serve alongside.

**CSM WORSHIP CONFERENCE** 

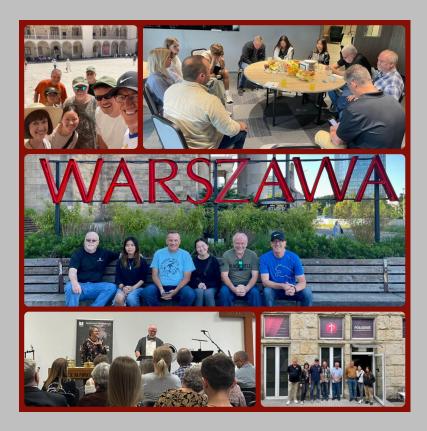


Over 700 worship leaders and musicians from all over Poland gathered in Warsaw on June 15 for the annual CSM worship conference. This year's theme was "Jedyny" - there is only one God worthy of all our devotion. The teaching, fellowship, and worship were inspiring. We are so thrilled and thankful to partner with Adam Kosewski and his team at CSM. Through their devoted service, the churches of Poland are being built up and the praises of God are going forth.



Pastor Joe Putting and the Tomoka Christian Church in Ormond Beach, FL, are Living Links with both Adam Kosewski (CSM Director) and Daniel Masarczyk (Sosnowiec). During his stay in Poland, Pastor Joe was a main speaker at the CSM conference, and also spent the day with Daniel and Gosia in Sosnowiec. Although prayer and financial support are so needed, it's these in-person one-on-one moments that provide such encouragement to our Polish ministry partners.

### **TOMOKA TEAM**



The team from Tomoka Christian Church (Ormond Beach, FL) met with several Ukrainian refugee families at Warsaw "West," helped with food distribution for the refugees at Warsaw "South," participated in the CSM conference, and worshiped with their Living Link church in Sosnowiec. Even though several of the team came down sick while in Poland, they managed to push through and accomplish all the goals they had for the trip. We are so thankful for each one and the joy and blessing they brought.

### **SANDOMIERZ TEAM**



A team from the White River Christian Church in Noblesville, IN, just completed a week of service in Sandomierz, Poland. In cooperation with Adam Byra and the people of the church, they led a day camp for Ukrainian children, and also provided a children's program for Polish children in a nearby village and for Ukrainian refugee children living at the site of an old palace. This was the second time White River has sent a team and once again we thank God for their labor of love. May every seed planted in the hearts of the children take root and produce a harvest of faith in the Lord Jesus.

#### **IN MEMORY**



#### **REFUGEE RELIEF**



In JUNE PCM sent \$14,000 to Poland for the purpose of Ukrainian refugee relief:

- 1) Food Distribution centers in Poland \$4,500
- 2) Polish churches for housing/food \$3,500
- 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 & PRAYER REQUESTS**

#### Praise God for ...

... these U.S. churches who gave \$1,800 to \$6,000 in 2023:

Leffingwell BC, Leffingwell, CT
Packerville BC, Packerville, CT
Parkway C/C, Allentown, PA
Central CC, Mt. Vernon, IL
Traders Point CC, Zionsville, IN
Milford CC, Milford, IL
Gethsemane C/C, Mechanicsville, VA
Christ's Hope & Ministry, Ft. Wayne, IN
Christ's Church, Jacksonville, FL
Cornerstone CC, Springfield, KY

Poplar Chapel C/C, Jamesville, NC Calvary Chapel, Canterbury, CT Oakland Drive C/C, Portage, MI Council Grove CC, Council Grove, KS Homer CC, Homer, AK Fairfield CC, Lancaster, OH First CC, McClenny, FL Rockville CC, Rockville, IN Zeandale CC, Zeandale, KS Berea CC, Brazil, IN

Eastford BC, Eastford, CT
Converse C/C, Converse, IN
Sandhill CC, Winchester, KY
Grace Fellowship EF, North Stonington, CT
First CC, Belleville, IL
Grace Church, Camby, IN
Sugar Grove CC, Soldiers Grove, WI
New Testament CC, Roanoke, NC
Pleasant View C/C, Cassopolis, MI
CC of Holiday, Newport Richey, FL

Oxford C/C, Oxford, IN
Auburn CC, Auburn, IL
Snellville CC, Snellville, GA
West Waynesboro C/C, West Waynesboro, VA
CC at Rome, Rome, GA
Calvary Road BC, Alexandria, VA
Hartford CC, Hartford, KY (Go Ye Council)

- ... the U.S. volunteers who came to serve this past month in Ostroda Camp, Pabianice, Biala Podlaska, Sandomierz, Sosnowiec, and Warsaw.
- ... the CSM conference that inspired worship leaders from across the nation of Poland.
- ... the church in Ostroda in selecting their new pastor, Andrzej Zielinski, who will follow Zbigniew Chojnacki when he retires September 1st.
- ... 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 U.S. volunteers who are coming to serve this month in Ostroda Camp, Dzialdowo, and Lublin.
- ... the many Polish churches who are in a period of transition as pastors retire and new pastors assume their roles.
- ... Damian Szafranek who assumed the lead pastor role at Warsaw "North" on June 16.

... 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:
July 9-10: Ostroda Camp
July 17: Return to the US
July 27-28: Homer Christian Church, Homer, Alaska
August 3-4: Kenai Christian Church, Kenai, Alaska

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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