



Serving the people of Poland since 1954
Polish Christian Ministries July 2023

Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen. (Ephesians 3:20-21)

GREENVILLE+ TEAM



We are so thankful for the team from Greenville, IL, plus three from Indiana, Ohio, and Maine, who came to prepare cabins #3 and #6 for the summer season at Ostroda Camp. They did such an incredible job. How wonderful to finish such a big project while also developing relationships with both Poles and Ukrainians that will last into eternity.

TOMOKA+ TEAM



What a great week we experienced serving at Warsaw "West" with our next short-term team. Half of the team were from the Tomoka Christian Church in Ormond Beach, FL, while the others were from Virginia, Maryland, and Maine. During the week we served at a senior center, a center for the disabled, three large Ukrainian refugee centers, and two distribution points. We are grateful for Adam Dulinski and all his team at Warsaw "West" for coordinating the week's activities and allowing us to serve alongside them. We shared words of hope with so many and we pray the seeds planted will bring a bountiful harvest in the days and weeks to come.

BAJKO FAMILY IN WARSAW



Andrew Bajko, the son of PCM founder, Paul Bajko, was recently in Warsaw with his family. His wife, Olga, and their daughter, Naomi, came a week earlier to serve with us at Warsaw West. The last time Andrew was in Poland was sixty years ago when Paul and Adela and their family sailed to Poland by ship. We are thankful for this family and so glad the next generation of Bajko's are continuing to serve the nation of Poland.

SWEET REUNION



Kostek Jakoniuk, the founding pastor of the church in Bielsk Podlaski, was a charter member of the Slavic Church of Christ in Baltimore, MD, in the 1960's. Two ladies, Ana Straw and Helen Bajko, who served with us at Warsaw "West," were also members of the Slavic church and were so excited for the possibility of meeting with Kostek. He traveled by train from Bielsk Podlaski to Warsaw to meet with the ladies and they enjoyed a few hours visiting together. It was truly a sweet reunion.

CONNECTICUT TEAM



While one short-term team was serving in Warsaw, another team from Connecticut was serving at Ostroda Camp. Led by Andrzej Korytkowski, this team completed a major renovation of Cabin #1. We are amazed at how volunteers like these can accomplish so much in such a short time. Thank you, Andrzej and "Team Connecticut," for your hard work and for touching so many lives while you were in Ostroda. What a blessing!

CSM CELEBRATES 15 YEARS



CSM hosted their second national worship conference in the city of Bielsko-Biala on Saturday, June 17. Worship teams and church leaders from throughout Poland came for a day of training and inspiration. Then Sunday was another day of celebration as we worshiped together and thanked God for the 15 years that CSM has been serving the churches of Poland. We thank God for Adam Kosewski and his wife, Basia, who lead this vital and ever-expanding ministry.

NORTHWEST REGION TOUR



The Southport Heights Christian Church in Indianapolis, IN, is a Living Link with the

church in Bialogard. Steve Ferguson (Senior Minister) and two leaders of their mission team, Russ Brookhouse and Scott Fulkerson, traveled to Poland to meet with the pastors and church leaders in the northwest region. Their home base was the church in Bialogard.

We are so thankful for the wonderful hospitality offered to us by Henryk and Wieslawa Wasilewski and all the congregation.



Henryk Wasilewski has been the pastor of the church in Bialogard since 1986. Several of the pastors and leaders in the northwest region gathered together to celebrate Henryk's retirement and the passing of the baton of leadership to Henryk's grandson, Kacper. We thank God for Henryk and Wieslawa's many years of service and pray blessing and wisdom over Kacper as he takes on this new role.



While in the northwest region, our team met with the church leaders in Kolobrzeg, Polczyn Zdroj, and Koszalin. We shared leadership principles and renewed our commitments to partnering together. It was also delightful to visit Ruth Zagrodnik, former pastor's wife in

REFUGEE RELIEF



In June, PCM sent \$91,000 to Poland for the purpose of Ukrainian refugee relief:

- 1) Distribution centers in Poland - \$21,000 for food
- 2) Ostroda Camp, Polish churches, and other housing - \$45,000 for food and utilities
- 3) Transports to Ukraine from various Polish cities - \$25,000

SUPPORTING CHURCHES

PCM wants to say **THANK YOU** to all of the churches who gave in 2022 to support our efforts in the nation of Poland. The gospel was proclaimed and many Poles and Ukrainians have come to faith in Jesus. The top 105 giving churches were listed in the previous three newsletters. Below are the next 36 supporting churches.

New Found Church of Christ, Glen Ellen, VA
Ridgecrest Christian Church, Albuquerque, NM
Lighthouse Church of God, Plainfield, CT
Glen Este Church of Christ, Cincinnati, OH
First Christian Church at Brock Hall, Upper Marlboro, MD

West Hills Christian Church, Bristol, TN
Southside Christian Church, Charlottesville, VA
OceanPointe Christian Church, Middletown, RI
First Christian Church, Roanoke Rapids, NC
First Church of Christ, Bluffton, IN

Guyandotte Church of Christ, Huntington, WV
Maysville Church of Christ, Maysville, KY
Medaryville Christian Church, Medaryville, IN
Concord Christian Church, Concord, IL
Journey Christian Church, Elizabeth City, NC

Burkesville Church of Christ, Burkesville, KY
Second Baptist Church, North Stonington, CT
First Christian Church, Havre de Grace, MD
Forks of John's Creek Christian Church, New Castle, VA
Hunterdon Christian Church, Flemington, NJ

Central Christian Church, Savannah, GA
Poplar Chapel Church of Christ, Jamesville, NC
Mt. Pleasant Christian Church, Greenville, NC
Newland Church of Christ, Warsaw, VA
North Danville Church of Christ, Danville, VA

Quinebaug River Church, Griswald, CT
Southside Christian Church, Ottawa, IL
Brady Lane Church of Christ, Lafayette, IN
Grace Baptist, Kilgore, TX
First Congregational Church, Plainfield, CT

First Christian Church, Grayville, IL
Camelback Christian Church, Scottsdale, AZ
Stronghurst Christian Church, Stronghurst, IL
Indian Creek Christian Church, Cynthiana, KY
Faith Bible Evangelical Free, Woodstock, CT

Oak Grove Christian Church, Beckley, WV

PRAYER REQUESTS

Praise God for ...

... CSM as they celebrate 15 years of equipping and training worship leaders in Poland.
... the successful initiatives at Warsaw West and Ostroda Camp, plus the NW region leadership development sessions with our last four volunteer teams.
... the PCM volunteers coming to serve in Poland in July 2023.
... the Polish churches and Ostroda Camp as they continue to care for Ukrainian refugees.
... the ongoing transport of goods into Ukraine.
... the generous response from supporters to enable the work in Poland to continue.

Please pray for ...

... the PCM volunteer teams as they are currently serving in Lublin, Sosnowiec, and Sandomierz.
... those Polish churches who are passing the baton of leadership to the next generation.
... an end to the war in Ukraine.
... wisdom, perseverance and strength for our Polish partners as they serve Ukrainian refugees and transport supplies into Ukraine.
... the Polish churches as they adjust to a new Polish/Ukrainian/Belarusian reality.
... the churches in Radom and Lidzbark Welski who are in need of a pastor.
... the church in Wyszkiw as they must find a new meeting place.
... the family of Mike Hatfield (David Hatfield's younger brother) who passed away from Frontotemporal Dementia (FTD) on June 30.
... David and Sandy Hatfield's schedule:
June 23-July 5: Leading Ukrainian children's camps in Sosnowiec and Sandomierz.
July 12: Return to U.S. from Poland

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

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