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WHAT WE DO TODAY IMPACTS ETERNITY

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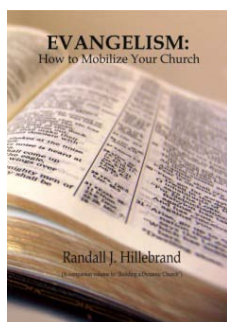
Revelation 22:12

HILLEBRANDS  
IN UKRAINE

## ***The reason we celebrate Christmas:***

**“But when the fulness of the time came, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, in order that He might redeem those who were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.” (Galatians 4:4-5)**

*It is an amazing thing that God would desire to adopt as His children sinners such as us. But that is exactly what He does when we call upon Him to forgive us and save us. His sending Jesus makes all this possible when He died in our place on the cross for our sins. Thank you Father!*



Randy's new book, "Evangelism: How to Mobilize Your Church" is completed in English, Russian and French. The English and French versions can be downloaded at our website (HillebrandMinistries.com). The Russian version will go to print soon. Randy is still trying to determine how many copies to publish. Funds are still needed to complete this project. If you would like to help, please send your gift to CrossWorld (information is on the reverse side on the bottom) designated for the "Training Manual Fund" or contact us.

November was to be a very busy month, but all of that changed. In Nikolaev we did training at a church November 6th – 8th, and Randy preached on Sunday morning; but beyond that things did not happen as planned. The 17th – 19th we were to do training at our home church but that was cancelled due to another conference in Kiev. Because those dates were now open, we were going to travel to Pervomaysk for the Roma (Gypsy) outreach that had been cancelled in late October, but that got cancelled again at the last minute! Next we were going to teach in Cherkassy, but due to illness that was put off until January. The Roma outreach has now been moved to May. Please pray for Randy, Pavel and Sergei as they determine how to best reach them for Christ. Their greatest need now is a place in which to meet as Pavel is ready to start a Sunday School program for the children and is planning a Christmas program. Annette has sent gift bags, tracts, Christmas cards and other resources to help with this outreach.

During our times of teaching, Annette provides books and other resources for the ladies to purchase. She has sold over several hundred dollars' worth this fall which keeps her busy running around town finding more. A friend has asked her to speak several times at her ladies' group downtown which meets every other Saturday morning at Central Baptist Church. Her next time of teaching will be on the 17th on hospitality. Also, thanks to the financial help of several friends, she has been able to renew the 200 subscriptions to "Стежинка" for 2012. This is the Christian children's magazine that Pavel distributes in the schools in three of the villages where he has planted churches as well as among the Roma children. The children really look forward to these!

This will be our first Christmas without Tabitha because she will be leaving for India January 3 for a three-week mission trip with her university. Yet we are **so** glad that Luke is coming the 15th!!

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## Our Children

**Elya:** I finished my classes and am now doing the clinical portion of my training. I am finding this more difficult than the class work was. Please pray for me as I learn how to work with patients, diagnose, analyze charts, etc. Thank you!

**Jeremiah:** My job is going well, and I enjoy some traveling too. Christy and I are finalizing our plans for our wedding May 12<sup>th</sup> with lots of decisions yet to be made. Getting excited!

**Luke:** I'm looking forward to spending the holidays in Kiev with my parents and other friends who will be returning. I will be assigned to active duty after my graduation in May in the area of field artillery. Thanks for your prayers!

**Tabitha:** I am excited to be going to India next month for three weeks on a mission trip with my university! We will be doing evangelism by performing dramas in schools, youth rallies and churches. I now have Celiac disease (no gluten) so please pray for me as I make adjustments to my diet. Thanks!

## PRAISE!

1. That Randy's new book is online, being downloaded and used in various countries.
2. For the teaching opportunities we've had this fall.
3. For the flexibility the Lord gives us to live in a foreign land where things often change.
4. For Tabitha's opportunity to minister in India and Luke coming to Kiev for the holidays.
5. For new friends God supplies when others leave. Also for our Ukrainian friends who love and care about us and our children.
6. For finding and distributing many good books and resources that are available in Russian/Ukrainian for the Church here.
7. For you who lift us up in prayer!

## PRAYER REQUESTS

1. That Randy's books will be used in Eurasia as well as many other countries around the world.
2. For the needed finances to cover the costs of translation and printing of his new book.
3. For teaching opportunities through April of next year.
4. For Randy as he starts working on scheduling speaking engagements in our supporting churches during Home Ministry Assignment, May – September.
5. For Annette as she teaches on December 17. The last lessons were on marriage and mothering. Please pray that the ladies will benefit from what is shared and the books they purchase.
6. For Pavel's Christmas outreaches in the villages and among the Roma. Also the need a building in which to hold Sunday school, services, etc., and finances.
7. For Tabitha to feel better as she adjusts her diet and ministers in India for three weeks in January.
8. For Elya as she finishes training this last year of her program.
9. For Jeremiah and Christy as they prepare for their wedding and marriage.
10. For continued spiritual growth for us and our kids.
11. For health and safety during the winter months.
12. For the many ministries at this time of year, that more people in Ukraine will hear the good news of Jesus Christ and turn to Him for salvation!



## Cultural Insights



Public transportation options are many here in Kiev, and they're not expensive. There's the subway, trams, buses, trolley buses and small privately-owned buses. Yet you have to learn the etiquette, how to travel on them, pay the fares, etc.

You should give up your seat for the elderly, women with children or pregnant women. You must remove your backpack so it won't bump into other people because sometimes you're packed in like sardines; and the motto is, "There's always room for one more!" Before your stop you should be waiting by the door.

On the small buses, you can pay the driver directly if you enter the first door or you can pass your money up to him through all the people. Then they will pass your change back to you one person at a time. If the driver feels that more people have entered the back door than paid, he will yell back for them to pass their money. Sometimes he'll have a helper who will take care of the money while he drives. Oh, and sometimes he talks on his cell phone while driving; hence the need to pray



while traveling since there's plenty of traffic to maneuver around!



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