

# KYIV CONNECTIONS



Prayer Letter of George & Sarah de Vuyst

## Mission & Vision

We envision healthy congregations emerging to bring healing and transformation to lives and communities throughout Ukraine and Eastern Europe's post-communist countries.

Together with our partners in Ukraine, we are training church leaders in Ukraine's post-Soviet, post-Christian, and post-atheist society in order to develop healthy churches with a biblical understanding of Christianity so that the Kingdom of God may transform all spheres of life and society.

## Points for Praise

- for the participants of the HWEC workshop in Vuhledar, Ukraine - that God would continue to lead them on their journeys of healing and reconciliation.
- for the 6 students at Poltava Theological Seminary who completed their second track of TLT training and made 7 plans to implement over the next 6 months as they complete the program.

## Points for Prayer

- for the events coming up on our calendar!
- for the extensive travels over the winter months.
- For Sarah and the kids in Kyiv with school and work at KCA.

## Merry Christmas!

Wow! It's hard to believe that Christmas is just around the corner. Life has been full and blessed. We're thankful for how God continues to watch over us and guide us. We're thankful for you! Your friendship, love, prayers and support have blessed us in so many ways. We wish you God's richest blessings as you celebrate the birth of our Savior, and that those blessing would continue throughout the coming year!

## Finding Healing in Christ



"You are the light of the world! You are the hope of your nation!  
God believes in you!"

God worked in His unique and miraculous ways during our "Healing the Wounds of Ethnic Conflict" workshop in September. Thank you for your prayers! During these workshops we look deeply into our wounds. One young lady shared that she had been sexually abused as a child by her father, who has since passed away. She was filled with pain and had lived a difficult life. During our teaching of God as a loving Father, she came to realize how her past experiences with her own father had negatively affected her relationship with her heavenly Father. She decided to bring her pain to Jesus at the cross and testified of how God took this immense burden from her.  
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### Coming Events

**December 3-6:** Barmouth, Wales, for the "covering group" meetings for Healing the Nations, the organization founded by Dr. Rhiannon Lloyd to oversee the "Healing the Wounds of Ethnic Conflict Ministry" (HVEC). Pray for the clear leading of God's Spirit in the decisions that we will be making.

**December 11-15:** HVEC workshop near Kyiv at the RITE Seminary. We expect about 30 participants who are all displaced from Eastern Ukraine due to the ongoing conflict with Russia. Pray for our team - 5 are coming to join me, and for God to again display his love and healing power.

**January 18-28:** Grand Rapids, Michigan, USA for the annual Worship Symposium at Calvin College. 9 pastors and worship leaders from Ukraine and Hungary are joining me to learn more about the church and worship. This is often an opportunity and blessing of a lifetime for these servants of God!

**February 12-15:** Budapest, Hungary. Sarah and I will be participating in our annual Resonate - Europe team meetings..

**February 24 - March 17:** Kigali, Rwanda to help lead the 2018 International School of Reconciliation. [Space is still available for anyone who would like to participate.](#)

On the third day of the workshop we speak of forgiveness, repentance and reconciliation. Part of that is a "repentance workshop" where we give people and groups the opportunity to ask forgiveness in the name of the group they represent. It is a powerful time of healing and many



We bring our pain to Jesus at the Cross

tears are usually shed. In light of what had happened earlier, I felt the need as a father and as a man to ask forgiveness from this young lady for what her father had done to her - especially important because she would never hear these words from her own father. As I was speaking, 9 or 10 other women came forward who had all suffered sexual abuse. It was a powerful time of healing for them. The lady who had spoken of her father said afterwards, "Now, for the first time in my life, I believe that I can truly forgive my father." The healing that Jesus brought through his birth, life, and sacrifice on the cross continues to work miracles in peoples' lives, families, churches and society in Ukraine!



Blessing the Nations!  
Celebrating reconciliation around the King's table.

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