



# the *Holmes* family

serving the Lord in the country of

# UKRAINE



Dear Prayer Partners:

August– October 2021

*Time flies when you are having fun!* We have had a lot of action the past few months and I just realized that it is the beginning of November, and I am past due for sending out an update. *Please forgive this oversite on my behalf!* I did send out two quick updates in the beginning of September, regarding Brittani and the coming (at that time) baby. Praise the Lord that He has taken care of everyone so that Brittani and Kaleb are doing well!

**Kaleb Scott Holmes was born on the 8th of October weighing in at 7lbs 9oz and 21.25 inches long.** He was delivered through an emergency C-section because Brittani’s water broke and her labor was progressing. God worked everything out and Brittani says that this delivery was *even better than her previous C-sections in the states!* Praise the Lord! He is now growing and filling out and we couldn’t be happier with him! God is so good! Brittani’s mother is here with us now, she was able to come for 3 months to help out with the house, meals and home schooling. She is an active member of our church (Liberty Baptist) and has been a great blessing to us!

**God has “culled” several men/families out of our village and city groups in the past few months.** This has been very painful for us. It is so hard to pour yourself into someone and then see those same people get upset and leave, then try to influence others to forsake us as well. *However, through it all God is still faithful to us, provides for us everything that we need, and He will never forsake us!*

I had realized through this, that our evangelistic efforts had waned and we had been doing very little evangelism. We have renewed our evangelistic efforts and, praise the Lord, we are now working with new people in both mission works! This is very exciting and we look forward to continuing actively evangelizing and seeing God work through this!

**Please pray with us for a woman who has started faithfully attending meetings in our Kiev group. Her name is Maria.** She has been an atheist her whole life, hating religion and God. However, by God’s grace she came down with Covid and had a rough battle, then they found breast cancer. She became very depressed and thought much about suicide. Her neighbor, Liliya, who attends our Kiev group, noticed that her neighbor was very down and started talking to her, then invited her to services. Well that was 2 weeks ago. She has been attending our services ever since. Every service she opens up more and more. Sunday after services she came up to me and said that she had lived her whole life as an atheist, and she can see now that there is a God and she needs to get ready to meet Him after her death. Brittani and I will be starting Salvation Bible studies with her tomorrow. Please pray for her salvation!

I wrote in the last update about **Arthur and Monica**, the young gypsy couple that just got married. They have become so faithful, it has been a huge blessing to be a part of what God is doing in their lives! They are now expecting their first baby together. Arthur and I are spending a lot of time together and they have become very passionate for Christ. Their persistent and faithful witness to unbelievers is starting to become contagious to other new believers in our groups. *I really feel that God could use this young couple for His honor and glory.* However, there are many adversaries. They have gone through a lot of trials lately, **please pray for this young family to stay strong in the Lord!**

There is a lot that is changing in our country right now. As of the first of November they have mandatory lockdowns all over, those who are allowed to congregate and enter “public places”, or use public transit, are those who are either vaccinated, or have a negative Covid test (good for only 72 hours). We have decided to continue meeting despite the lockdown. We are looking to the Lord to take care of our needs at this time. If we are “caught” meeting in either the village or the city we will receive a fine of \$620 to \$1400. *Until next time!*

By His Grace and for His Glory!

*Daniel Holmes*  
I Cor 15:58

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- City and Village Ministries
- Regular Evangelism and Outreaches
- Spiritual Growth of New Converts
- God’s Wisdom in Making Decisions

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