

Missionary John Pinkavich, Lida, Belarus, October 2024 Report

Greetings to First Baptist Church of Cave City!

First of all, I would like to congratulate everyone with newly elect president Donald Trump. We have prayed a lot here in Belarus for United States and for election. We thank the Lord that He hears our prayers. We pray that United States will turn more to God, that God will raise many more missionaries and will send them to California, Oregon, Washington, New York, Massachusetts, Virginia, Delaware, Illinois and other states in US. God is good and He hears our prayers.

We thank everyone for your faithful prayers and support for Lida, Belarus. May the Lord bless you and richly pay you back. The Lord is doing amazing work here. We had an ordination service for Indigenous pastor, Roman Krechik, as a local pastor here in church family. He is my right hand, my very faithful helper. We had 45 in attendance, from which 31 adults and 14 children. First brother was preaching on subject: "What is my life telling others?" We need to show a righteousness of Jesus Christ every day in our lives. It is especially important to have good testimony to others. We need to hold onto the values and treasures of eternal life. We need to hold Jesus Christ in the first place in our lives. Second brother Ura Romanchik was preaching on the qualities of the pastor. Devil is trying to destroy the pastor. It is particularly important for pastors to have incredibly good and Godly families. Pastor should raise children to love God and serve only Him, pastor should have self-control in his life and should fight radically against sin and flesh in his personal life. And last brother Leonid was preaching on subject: "Our service in the church". Purpose of our church is to glorify our Lord Jesus Christ. Christians should take care for other Christians; we should help our brothers and sisters in our church family. Our church should preach the gospel by our words and our deeds. We need to invest in the church our time and finances.

The Lord allowed us to have great service on Sunday 27th, we had 25 in attendance from which 13 adults and 12 children. Veniamin G. was preaching on the subject: "How to fight temptations." Jesus Christ is the notable example how to fight temptations using the Word of God. Second preacher was Dima Yaveshis, he was preaching how to have healthy living according to the Word of God. It is important to eat right, sleep right and rest well. God cares for our bodies, and He teaches us to care for our bodies.

Update on the building the new church building in the center of Lida, we have cut down all the trees, taken down old fence and old sheds, taken out a lot of garbage, clear everything inside the old house, taking down old brick stove, preparing the old house to take down and build on it big church building, still waiting on permits, already cutting lumber on lumber yard to first and second floor joists.

Please, continue to pray for God work in Belarus and our new church building project.

In His service,

John, Iryna, Elisha, Esther, Eve, Eleazar and Ephraim Pinkavich

