

February is over and it's time to reflect and to thank God once more for what happened at Fimiam Church during this month.

“The Bible Treasury” correspondence club held a meeting on February 6, which was a great time of fellowship and worshipping the Creator. The essence of the work of this club is to conduct a Bible study by correspondence and then hold several general meetings during the year. Its purpose is to help children make the right decisions in their lives, to encourage them “to change their sinful, icy hearts to one which loves God and serves Him,” to be firm in their faith in the Lord and to live according to God’s Word.



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An extraordinary event – a Taekwondo camp - took place February 10-13 at the Retreat Center. To explain this I need to look back at the history. Volodymyr Ishchuk is a missionary from Fimiam Church who moved to Perespa village about 8 years ago to work with adults. This ministry was not fruitful so his family began working with children and it was successful. For years children regularly attended Bible classes. When some of them became teenagers, they became interested in sports. Volodymyr began to train them in Taekwondo and combined the training sessions with the Bible study. He invited Valeriy Vykhor, a three-time Intercontinental Boxing Champion in the heavyweight division, to the Taekwondo camp. Valeriy repented while still a champion, so he had opportunities to testify to famous boxers about God. Several boys accepted Jesus into their lives at the camp. Praise the Lord!



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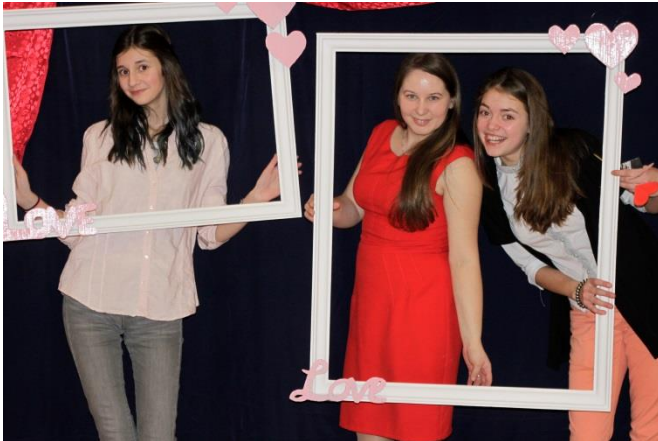
On February 13 people with special needs gathered at “The New Abilities” club to discuss the topic of “Love.” They spoke about different types of love, heard the history of Valentine’s Day and played the brain-ring intellectual game. Pastor Roman Brychook talked about God’s love and about love being described in the Bible as an action rather than a feeling.





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The same topic was discussed at “Rock” teenagers’ club meeting on February 14. Over 50 young people fellowshiped, sang Christian songs, played games, ate delicious cakes and heard about God’s love which never ends.



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On February 20 there was a seminar at Fimiam Church for the mentors of the course “ABCs of a Christian.” The stress was laid on the importance of mentoring in the church.



On the same day a meeting for young people with disabilities was held where they spoke about friendship. The participants shared stories about their friends. Everyone came to the same conclusion: Jesus Christ, Who loves at all times, is the best friend ever. The children also sang Christian songs, made different interesting things with their hands, played games and ate delicious food.



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The third event on that day was a visit to a specialized school for orphans and children from dysfunctional families. There are also students with mental and physical problems. Relationships between children at the school are difficult since they do not get love and proper treatment from their parents. So the topic of friendship was very important for the students. They are always happy to have guests and to attend interesting meetings.





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On February 24, Fimiam Church grew: Dmytro Kondratyuk was baptized in one of our home churches. We are thankful to God for opening His truths to people.



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The annual Fimiam winter seminar took place on February 26-28 at the Retreat Center. More than 60 members of Fimiam Church and several visitors attended. We spoke about different levels in our relationship with God, its influence on the faith of the next generation and about the relationship between spouses in the spiritual context. It was a great time spent in fellowship.





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Victor and Mariya were married on February 27. We are glad God is changing people. Victor has a criminal past but he can now live with the Lord and build Christian relationships with his wife. Thanks to God!



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Thank you for reading our regular ministry updates. Please pray for Fimiam Church, for us to be sensitive to the Lord's will.