

Bill & Judy Ball

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***"Blessed is the man who always
fears the Lord, but he who hardens
his heart falls into trouble."
Proverbs 28:14***

We are humbled to serve the Lord through SGA Canada. Speaking on behalf of incredible servants is an awesome privilege. In some ways we are simply the 'conduit' or voice sharing the joys, struggles and needs of those a world away. Conflict is simply the every day routine for many in our world today. We are blessed to be living in Canada with all of our privileges we often take for granted. May we live each day fearing the Lord and trusting Him to direct our ways.

WESTERN WELCOME

During the middle of February we flew to Winnipeg, then drove nearly 4, 500 km through Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta visiting many of our supporters. We were blessed to have two weeks of clear

roads! While it was very cold one week, the next was most pleasant. It was wonderful to meet so many warm people who have not forgotten the plight of those an ocean away.



Bad roads in Belarus!

FAITH VENTURES

In June, Judy & I will be, Lord willing, traveling to new ground in the Far East of Russia and some "Stan" countries. We have incredibly dedicated workers who are requesting our presence for a period of teaching and encouragement. The plan is to travel with another co-worker and his wife from our U.S. office. New opportunities are opening in the remotest areas of Russia.

There are 6.5 million people in an area the size of the USA with only 45 churches. We plan to establish a new ministry center in Khabarovsk and 12 locations with a plane allowing travel to the remotest villages. Our partners at Kingdom Air Corps in Alaska are providing the aviation arm of this outreach.

ONTARIO/QUEBEC MINISTRY

Many weekends we are sharing in local churches about the ministry of SGA. It is a privilege to speak on behalf of our faithful servants in the CIS expressing their hopes, joys and struggles. So much is being accomplished every day for eternity. We are being invited into many first time opportunities. We will be returning to Elim Lodge, north of Peterborough, for a week in August as the guest speaker.

Family Fun

It is hard to believe our granddaughter, Addy, celebrated her 2nd birthday in Juba this month. Will is turning 4 in May. Our joy is to Face Time with Chris, Karyn and our grandkids. When we do see them this way they are precious times.

Kim and Dan are earnestly seeking to purchase a house. It is a challenging market with homes selling for higher than asking prices.



PARTNER PROJECTS

In our travels and communications, needs are always shared with the hope that someone will respond. We present to people the privilege to partner with such practical requests:

\$8,000 needed for a church heating system in Ukraine

\$7,500 needed for windows and doors in a senior's residence in Western Ukraine

\$35 needed for Immanuel's Child Christmas gifts

\$55 needed for a child to experience summer camp

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