

"FROM THIS PLACE, GOD HELPED YOU"

Military believers in Ukraine met in December to celebrate God's work in their nation and to prepare for future outreach to their nation's armed forces. "From This Place, God Helped You" (1 Samuel 7:12) was the theme of the Ukrainian MCF's (OXBY) prayer and planning conference, in which members from 15 oblasts (administrative divisions) participated. Many of the regional reports highlighted their ongoing and important work of supporting volunteer chaplains in eastern Ukraine, as well as their programs for military families whose husbands and fathers serve on the front lines of the current conflict.

Please pray for the ministries of OXBY and the Orthodox fellowship, Ukrainian Brotherhood, as they reach out to their nation's military personnel. Pray for:

- the safety of volunteer chaplains who minister to front-line soldiers in eastern Ukraine -- ask that these chaplains encourage the spiritual lives of military men and women stationed there, and that the supplies they bring will provide for their physical needs;
- Ukraine's multi-confessional chaplaincy, which was approved by the Ministry of Defense in July 2017, and that chaplains will work well across denominational lines;
- a close working relationship between the two military Christian fellowships as they work with chaplains; and,
- peace and unity in Ukraine, stabilization of the situation in eastern Ukraine, and that this conflict would bring the Ukrainian people closer to God.