



*Putin bombs Lviv
in brutal -20°C
winter temperatures.
Families across Ukraine
are freezing.*

PUTIN LAUNCHES TERROR ACROSS UKRAINE

IT IS LIKE HELL HERE!

Dear Friends,

Peace for Ukraine seems so distant, with no respite for those who live there. The New Year unfolds with the worst attacks since the war began. Heavy bombardment of Russian bombs began hitting all over Ukraine, including the western parts.

Alerts were issued across Ukraine that long-range ballistic missiles had been launched from Russian territory. An Oreshnik was headed directly at Lviv.

"It is like hell here. Rockets have been hitting all day. We are sheltering in the basement with no power and no heat. The children from the church are terrified. Putin has bombed our power plants. We have no electricity and there is no sign of electricity returning. Even as I write, rockets are flying toward our city again. Please pray!" – Pastor Misha

Pastor Misha's message was filled with a desperation I had not seen before in all the years we have worked together. I met him during the communist era when I had smuggled Bibles into Ukraine. He was the first pastor fearless enough to accept and distribute them.

But knowing ballistic missiles are headed directly at you is a different fear.

The Oreshnik missile hit Lviv. Critical infrastructures were bombed. The light show in the air was intense. Explosions were heard throughout the city. Buildings shook, windows shattered, gas supplies were cut. The city turned dark.

It was a terrifying day.

Putin's Oreshnik missile is equipped with multiple independently targetable warheads with nuclear payload capability. It travels at hypersonic speed. The alert was issued at 23:30. By 23:47, Lviv was hit.



In February, Russian offensive accelerated. Putin bombed generation facilities, substations and the grid in multiple cities as temperatures plunged to -20 °C (-4 °F), the coldest winter in 14 years.

Millions are without electricity, heating, and water, pushing civilians into a winter crisis.

In Donbas the bombardment is relentless.

"We are in the most critical situation we have faced during the entire war. Heating and water supply are shut down. The situation has become truly catastrophic. And now, at 5:00 AM, we're still under attack by drones. Russian strategic bombers are in the air, which means missiles will be arriving soon. And it's constant... It is extremely difficult for people to survive. It is freezing." – Pastor Alexander

FAMILIES LEFT FREEZING

People are doing all they can to survive, collecting snow for water, huddling together for warmth as they wear layers of clothing and hang blankets on walls and blown-out windows to keep out the bitter cold. Simple daily chores are difficult. Families with small children and the elderly are especially struggling.

Still, in moments of reprieve from incoming missiles, our frontline workers visit families and bring whatever aid they can.

Pastor Misha writes again:

"We thank you from the bottom of our hearts for supporting our ministries to the disadvantaged—among Roma families, in prisons, orphans, and those often forgotten by the world.

You can't imagine how much light and joy you bring them in these difficult times.

It's more than just help.

It's hope, warmth... a touch of God's love.

Today was a particularly difficult day—explosions all over the city, thunder, and rocket debris. We hid in the basement almost all day. The electricity has been out for several days now—only on for an hour or two. We try to "catch" that time to get something done.

Yesterday, we ministered at the prison to life-sentenced prisoners. We bring them food, clothing, and support. It is especially hard for them: the cold, the lack of food, and the harsh conditions. But, you know, they don't lose heart. They pray, sing, and cling to God!

Yesterday, two more repented. They were former dangerous criminals whose hearts were touched by God's grace.

Moments like these make life and service worthwhile.

This evening, we went to a Roma camp. The children and adults were terrified by the explosions. We brought food, baby formula, and diapers—eight babies were born there, and the families are literally starving. And when you see their grateful eyes, you understand: God is at work.

Thank you for your participation in the work of evangelism through your material assistance. You have become true hands of God's love for many."



Baby formula, diapers and food was delivered to starving Roma families



Eight babies born in Roma camps in freezing tents. Families were starving.



After four years of war, the constant bombardment, the freezing winters...daily survival is taking a toll. Now more than ever, generators, large powerful battery-packs (generators can't be used in apartments), fuel for heating and cooking are desperately needed.

Please pray. With God everything is possible. I am still hopeful.

Hopeful, that help will come from someone like YOU...someone who can place themselves into the shoes of another; someone who can say "what if this was me?"

Will you be that someone? Can you reach out and help?

Together in His Ministry,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul H. Popow".

YES PAUL,

I want to be "that someone!" I want to help purchase generators, battery-packs and fuel for families in Ukraine suffering Putin's aggressive bombing during -20°F winter temperatures!

☐ Here is my gift for where most needed.

☐ Here is my gift for emergency supplies; generator, battery-pack, fuel, food, water.

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