

# Cam Asman – Serving with e3 Ministries

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## **Lutsk, Ukraine and Moscow, Russia**

In January I had the great privilege of going out to Ukraine and Russia. This trip was an absolutely amazing opportunity to go and equip leaders of all ages to share the Gospel with those around them and to be ready to plant churches. Many people were wondering if we got arrested or had any troubles with the law in Russia, the case was that we had no issues at all and hardly had troubles at the border of Ukraine and Russia.

In Ukraine we had the opportunity to teach about 150 youth and young adults for three days and got to see each one of them go out and share the Gospel with many people. People came to know Jesus that day and many were very enthusiastic to live a lifestyle of serving Jesus.

In Russia we worked with a church that has gone through many difficult obstacles. Some of these obstacles being that their church building had been burnt down and their land stolen by the government (for a time), their pastors being arrested and various other legal cases (all in attempts to shut them down), yet, the church continues to follow the path that God is guiding them to live out. Despite many oppositions and being a marginalized group of people in their own country their church continues to thrive and grow.

As we hit the streets of Moscow we carried our legal documents that stated that we voluntarily were going out to share the gospel so that our actions may not be used against the church that we worked with. We taught a group of students from a Bible school and as we went out a couple of afternoons 5 people came to know Jesus. At the beginning the group was not sure what to expect when going out to share the Gospel on the streets but by the end any bit of fear was gone and there was a realization that there are many who are ready to follow Jesus in their city.

The trip was a great experience for me to learn how to better teach and preach as well as how to teach cross-culturally. By the end of the trip we came to realize that our journey in Russia may not be over but just beginning. By the end of our trip we had many talks with the pastors in Moscow of bringing us with them to the Altai Republic in Southern Siberia. This region of Russia is the area that connects with China, Mongolia and Kazakhstan meet. The church has a pastor there that is working with the Altai people and our hopes are that we may join them as they work with this Indigenous group of Russia.

Please pray for the Russian Orthodox Church that continues to bring persecution to other Christians in Russia.

Please pray for Ukraine and Russia as there is great division amongst each other, yet, the churches that we worked with in Ukraine and Russia still find unity with one another. Please pray that this unity with each other only grows stronger so that they may further the kingdom of Jesus in their countries.

Thank you so much for everything that you do to support me,

Cameron Asman