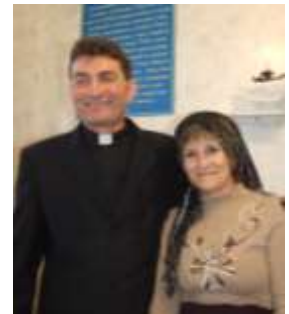


# Pervomaisk, Ukraine Update

About an hour south of the mother church in Krasnoperekopsk in North Crimea, this fledgling congregation which was started a few years ago has, in recent months, marked two milestones in its short history: the ordination and installation of its first pastor, and the start of construction of a church building.



On March 31, 2010 the congregation gathered to ordain and install its first pastor, the Rev. Eugene (Zenja) Frank.



Participating in the the service of ordination and installation were, left to right:

Bishop Victor Graefenstein, (Pastor Frank) Pastor Nicolay Smokvin, LCC Missionary Alexey Navrotsky and Pastor Viktor Gorst. Also participating but not pictured was Pastor Alexander Brodt.



Two years ago, CLMS provided a grant to enable the congregation to purchase an old building in the center of town. This building has been demolished and a church is under construction on the site which will serve as a visible sign that the Lutheran Church is not just another sect invading the community.



2010 CLMS Project 1019 "Church in Pervomaisk" will provide \$5000 to cover the estimated cost of building materials and labour for the work planned for 2010.

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