

Students key to outreach and growing church in Ukraine

Alpha & Omega students

ONE OF THE GREATEST MIRACLES in life is the miracle of new birth. Only God, through the power of the Holy Spirit working through the Word, can bring faith in the work and person of Jesus Christ in the human heart. What a joy it is to witness people responding in faith to the Gospel. This is what happened during the Alpha and Omega Summer Camp August 3 - 13 in the pioneer camp "Jubilee."

Camp Attendance

Summer camp is always a highlight of our ministry at Alpha and Omega. This year we had 434 people register. However, the camp only holds 360. So the A&O leadership had the difficult task of turning away 74 very disappointed people. Next year we hope to find a bigger camp or maybe break into two camps. This year the camp was truly international with seven countries represented (Ukraine, Russia, Moldova, Canada, Germany, England, and the U.S. We based the theme, "The Lord is my Shepherd," on Psalm 23. We studied God's Word each day to find out exactly how wonderful it is when the Lord shepherds our lives. We thank the Lord for all those who led and helped make this camp a wonderful success.

Ministry at Alpha and Omega

Once we returned from the camp the LCC young adults team and Ukrainian team conducted a vacation Bible school day camp at the student centre where more than 20 children attended, many from the area around the student centre. The Wednesday after camp the music team and some of our students led an evangelism outreach in an outlying town and one person responded in faith. Our



Sunday worship at the Alpha & Omega summer camp

music team travelled to Odessa for a youth conference during the last week in August.

TV Training School

Svieta Zavgorodnaya and Slavic Iotka have been accepted to study at the Conway School of Christian Broadcasting and Communications in Burlington, Ontario. The course starts September 12 and runs to December 15. They will arrive in Ontario September 3 and stay until December 30. Before the school starts they will stay with

members of Holy Cross, Kitchener and after December 15 they will stay with us. Our last day here is September 30. We plan to leave for Vancouver in early October and spend the month with our families there. Then November will see us moving to our new church home, Holy Cross Evangelical Lutheran Church in Kitchener, Ontario where I will serve as assistant pastor. The tentative day for installation is November 20.

*Rev. Roland Syens,
LCC missionary*

Concordia Seminary, Odessa graduates nine for vicarage



Rev. Viktor Graefenstein (far left) and Dr. Norman Threinen (far right) join nine vicars sent to serve congregations of the Association of Evangelical Lutheran Brethren Churches in Ukraine. The men have studied under LCC pastors and seminary professors and will undertake a year of internship before ordination.