

## **Sasha, Anya, Timothy, Jacob Kobzar**

Sasha and Anya Kobzar are both 2003 graduates of Tavriski Christian Institute. Upon graduating Anya assumed the position of Director of Children's Ministry at the church in Chaplynka. After their marriage in July 2004 Sasha officially came on board to be the youth leader and assist Zhenia. In addition to the ministry they find great joy in raising their 2 sons Timothy, born August 13, 2005 and Jacob, born April 22, 2007.

As Director of Children's Ministry, Anya oversees the Sunday school, is a leader for the puppet ministry and makes frequent home visits in an effort to establish a relationship with the children's parents. She is responsible for developing the VBS curriculum to be used each summer.

Currently there are about 20 children regularly attending Sunday school. Most children come from non-Christian homes. A member of the church in Chaplynka regularly assists Anya with the classroom teaching and music. If needed there are two other members of the church trained to help.

Anya is presently involved in training a woman from a nearby church in the area of Christian Education. In this church there are 15 students hungry to hear the gospel.

Sasha leads a youth group with 10 students. The group meets each Saturday to pray, study and fellowship. In an effort to grow relationships, Sasha visits and regularly telephones his students. He also strives to develop relationships with the parents of his students.

Sasha closely identifies with the problems of the youth. Many of the young people are growing up in non-Christian families and without fathers. God has used his experiences prior to becoming a Christian to better minister to others.

In the future, Sasha wants to develop a camp for the youth. He plans to work with a church in Kherson that has such an outdoor camping program. If he can get the necessary equipment the program will start in the summer of 2009.

In addition to leadership responsibilities including preaching in Chaplynka, Sasha assists Zhenia as needed with the other 6 churches in the region. These duties require him to visit families, help with leadership training and preaching.

Prayer requests...

... transportation. There are many opportunities to witness through the puppet ministry, but it is expensive to hire a van to transport the people and equipment.

... for balance between the family and the ministry.

... for wisdom for Anya and Sasha as they train others for the Lord's work.

... wisdom in time management and the understanding the contemporary youth. ... camping equipment for the youth outdoor program.

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