

# DM2 Ukraine Report

by Mark Musser

This past spring was another special time of teaching DM2 Bible workshops in three former Soviet countries. In Ukraine we did several workshops in and around Kiev, as well as at Lviv Bible Church. However, because of the country's religious laws, we continue to encounter many restrictions at this church.

The first week of April, my wife Caren and daughter Rachel joined me to help facilitate two Women in the Word workshops in Ukraine. A number of ladies who had previously attended other DM2 workshops, along with Rachel's childhood friend, Julia Munko, and her former babysitter, Oksana Timoshenko, taught sessions. It was a great time. We are looking for an opportunity to introduce a Women of the Word workshop into another former Soviet country, perhaps around Christmas time.

Please continue to pray as we continue this ministry. The groups are never large, but we have some faithful people who are developing into disciple makers. Pray for doors to remain open so that we can continue to encourage them.

This past August my wife and I, along with our youngest son, moved to Yerevan, Armenia. We hope to be here at least two years. Our own local church is our sending agency. DM2 played no small role in helping to develop a young man by the name of Andy Stacy to take over the pastoral reins at Grace Redeemer Bible Church. Pray for the church during this transition time.

Yerevan, Armenia, sits right below the eastern shadow of Mt. Ararat. Armenia is a former Soviet country located just to the south of Georgia, east of Turkey, west of Azerbaijan, and northwest of Iran in the southern Caucasus Mountains. This is a central location, not so far from Ukraine.

Not only are we hoping to use Yerevan as a missionary outpost to the former Soviet Union, we are praying we can serve locally here as well, but it will take some time to get acclimatized and develop some good, strong relationships. Armenia is considered an Orthodox Christian country, but most people here are nominally Christian at best. Although my wife is working as an international school teacher, I myself must keep my ministry low key as state and church are pretty tightly commingled.



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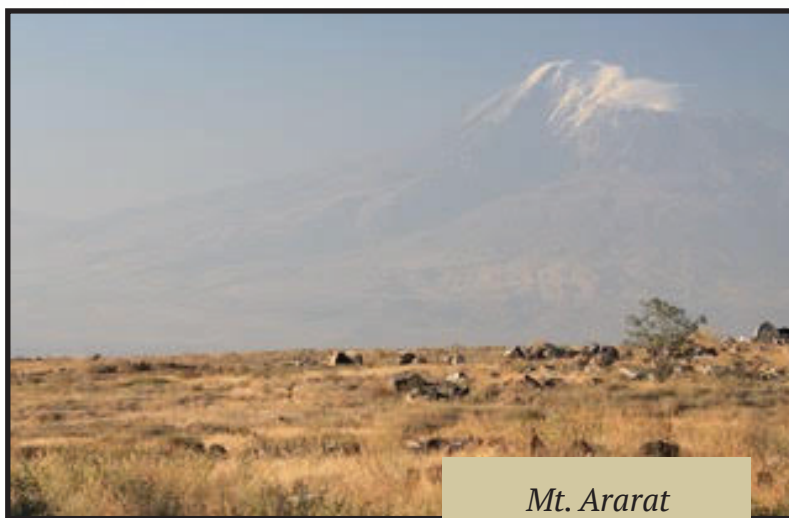
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## UPCOMING WORKSHOPS:

- **October 18-29**  
Liberia – Bible Study Methods
- **October 18-30**  
Zambia – Romans 1-8 in the Bemba language
- **October 28 - November 11**  
Kiev, Ukraine – Galatians
- **November 9-11**  
Tullahoma, TN – The Book of John Youth Workshop
- **December 6-16**  
Bolivia - Bible Study Methods
- **January 1-6**  
Harlingen, Texas – Revelation 1-11 Youth Workshop

## TESTIMONIES FROM THE WOMEN IN THE WORD WORKSHOP:

**Olesia** (on the right): *First of all, I want to say how God answered my prayers. I was praying and asking God to use me in ministry, when one day Mark Musser wrote to me about WOW. My first reaction was fear, but then I realized this was the answer to my prayers. It was my first time teaching and I was worrying very much. I can say even too much. But when I started teaching, I felt how God took away all my worries. Also, I saw how the Holy Spirit guided me when I was teaching. Through this experience, I saw how God will use you if you let Him. I think we have to do the work which God is giving to us and He will take care of the results. It's a great opportunity to see and to know better our Father, not only for the women we are teaching but also for the teachers.*

**Nadia** (on the left): *I taught! Christ in me! Thank God for this week.*



Olesia, Rachel Musser  
and Nadia

## PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Pray for Bret and Wanda as they travel to Zambia.
- Thank you for continuing to keep their grandson Aydon and his family in your prayers.
- Pray for wisdom concerning opportunities in India and Uganda.
- Pray for translation needs in French.