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## Camp Ukraine 2021 & Working Hands 2021



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### Ukraine and corona

The number of registered corona infections in Ukraine, at present, is 1.32 million in a population of over 40 million. There are currently over 25,800 corona deaths in Ukraine. Due to a lack of money only a very few vaccines can be procured. The corona wards are overcrowded, and the healthcare system is on the verge of collapse. In short the situation in Ukraine is extremely worrisome. One more reason why we as Foundation Oekroe hope and pray that we will be able to hold the camps again this summer for underprivileged children. Furthermore that we will be able to start again with Working Hands. It is crucial to let them experience a bright spot in such a miserable existence. Above all, to show children and the parents that the love of the Lord God is also for them!

### Camp Ukraine 2021

18 people are registered to join Camp Ukraine 2021. There is still room for more! Please tell us if you know someone! The preparations for Camp Ukraine 2021 have started with prudence. Workgroups have been created. This is quite a challenge as we do not know for sure whether we can really go to Ukraine this summer. There are three possibilities:

1. The camps are held with the Dutch participants. This is the ideal situation.
2. The camps will be held without the Dutch participants.
3. The camps cannot take place at all.

Currently we assume situation 1. Should this not be possible because of the corona situation then Foundation Oekroe will provide a financial contribution for situation 2. Also in Ukraine people are already cautiously thinking about Camp Ukraine 2021!

### Working Hands 2021

The whole Working Hands crew of 2020 wants to go again in 2021. However due to corona it seems impossible to go in May. Maybe it's possible during September. In other words: When the possibility is there, we will go there! We are discussing with our Ukrainian partners to execute a project. Due to new requirements we have already understood that the project originally planned for 2020 at Svaitets (day care & school for children) will not take place. We are discussing a possible project at Polonne (central Ukraine). There are plans to renovate a building for childcare and evangelisation to children and youngsters. There are also possibilities in the neighbourhood of Rivne and Staroconstantiniv. Soon we will get more information. We would like to contribute to better living conditions for children and young people in Ukraine. Will you help? Your financial support and prayer remain indispensable.

### Furthermore...

Next to the summer camps and Working Hands, Foundation Oekroe provides food parcels, when the need is high. This has been done during this harsh winter in Ukraine for example! In addition medical support is facilitated in individual cases. As you understand money is needed for that kind of support as well. There is also the Inspiration Centre at Shepetivka, where Roma and street children are cared for daily and often get a meal. The centre offers English lessons while the love of God is told and shown in practice. In the meantime the building has been equipped with Central Heating. This was possible because Foundation Oekroe did receive a large donation. They will now also prepare meals for sale. The kitchen equipment can be paid for by Foundation Oekroe through a large donation! Unbelievable how doors have been opened!

Recently someone asked: "Why are you doing this so far from home? There is enough need in our country as well". To which our reply is invariably: Ukraine has been put on our path.

You can support us with your gift and your prayer!

