



# Kharkov Pregnancy Assistance Center

## Kharkov, Ukraine



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### Kharkov Pregnancy Assistance Center (KPAC) Client Statistics

	2005	2006	2007	2008
Client Visits	446	861	1,247	699
Pregnancy Tests	92	115	164	82
Abortion-Minded Clients	7	15	81	59
AMC Decisions to Carry	5	11	13	12
Gospel Presentations	47	64	68	38
Decisions for Christ	12	24	12	3
Post-Abortion Counseling	140	349	71	0
Abstinence Presentations	41	94	575	50

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- Ukraine was part of the Soviet Union 1922-1991. Since achieving independence, the gap between rich and poor has increased dramatically—most people are getting poorer.
- Ukrainian is the national language, yet 24% speak Russian.
- Radiation pollution from Chernobyl continues to impact much of the country—people have weaker immune systems.

### Ukraine and Abortion

- Abortion is allowed on demand until the 22<sup>nd</sup> week and remains a central method of fertility control.
- In 1996, Ukraine had the 6<sup>th</sup> highest abortion rate in the world: 57 abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44 (the U.S. was 36<sup>th</sup> with 22.9 per 1,000).

### KPAC Prayer Requests

- For wisdom for Lena, the director.
- For the volunteers' commitment, relationships with the Lord, and families—they get attacked often because of the ministry.
- For our donors.
- For an ultrasound—getting it through customs, organizing the center for using it, a doctor.
- For a way to get our own building.

### KPAC Goals

- Develop a prenatal program to raise funds for KPAC.
- Develop a program for mothers and babies 6-20 months old.
- Develop a program, "Dating and Boundaries," for clients with negative tests.
- Train new volunteers—we need another six counselors.
- Hold a post-abortion weekend in October.

### How can You Partner with LIFE International?

Individuals, churches, centers, and businesses can partner with LIFE through prayer and financial support. Every prayer offered and every gift sown into LIFE helps make possible life-giving ministries like KPAC. Will you join with LIFE and help multiply life-giving ministries wherever abortion exists?

**Questions? Want more information? Contact us at [info@lifeinternational.com](mailto:info@lifeinternational.com) or (616) 248-3300.**



### Ministering to One Client at a Time Brings a Great Reward

In 2007, we had a Christmas party for the families we'd ministered to in the last two years. We sent out invitations; 50 people responded. We reserved a church. We planned it out: we'd share the love of Christ and the great news given to all people when Jesus was born. We'd give the little ones presents. A team of youth would put on a drama. We would sing songs, share the Word, and eat together.

The night of the party, the church was so full we didn't have space for the KPAC team to sit. I can't tell you how excited we all were! Sasha, who leads the parenting classes, said, "Are all of them our clients?" It was hard to believe. I remembered Isaiah 49:19-21:

Though you were ruined and made desolate and your land laid waste, now you will be too small for your people, and those who devour you will be far away. The children born during your bereavement will yet say in your hearing, "This place is too small for us; give us more space to live in." Then you will say in your heart, "Who bore me these? I was bereaved and barren; I was exiled and rejected. Who brought these up? I was left alone, but these – where have they come from?"

We want you to share this joy with us. These people, these children, are the fruit of the work of a team, and you are part of that team. Yesterday, I read, "We can really keep only what we give away." I am glad that in heaven you are having a reward.

—Lena Batina, director

