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Connecting People, Nations and Continents for the Great Commission

The Holy Spirit is Not Bound by Borders



Imagine a regular country with borders, a democratically-elected government, sealed passports for the population, a president, and a flag flying—yet *nobody recognizes its existence*. Welcome to Transnistria! It is a small piece of land barely as big as Dallas, Texas. At first glance it looks like a place set back in time. I first went there in 2007 with my good friend Pastor Jason Holland to hold a pastors and church leader's conference in Moldova just across the River Dniester from Transnistria. In Moldova I



personally found the churches dry and legalistic. I must confess returning to Moldova was not a high priority for me. On our last couple of days there we were taken to a small church in Transnistria. I remember sitting for a long period of time at the border crossing pictured above. It was getting late in the evening and there was a somewhat ominous feeling. Russian guards with AK-47s were intimidating figures as they guarded the border which was clearly defined by the hammer and sickle, symbols of the USSR/CCCP. Honestly at this point, all I was thinking of was a shower and a bed. However, as we crossed the border and approached our destination, we were greeted by the sounds of vibrant praise and worship emanating from a small building where a hand full of Christians were waiting for our arrival. As we exited our van, the intensity of

worship grew, and I sensed God was speaking to me. I felt He was saying that we were to return to Transnistria, over a period of ten years to help train, encourage and assist the church to reach their nation. Gateway Missions along with several other ministries, are grateful to be part of seeing that vision being fulfilled. This September will be our tenth year to work with Pastors Yuri and Oksana and their church. The picture below on left shows the congregation on my first trip to Transnistria in 2007. In 2009 our team prayed over the property where the new church was to be built. Today the Bethel Family Life Center is open and will become a HUB of the gospel for all of Transnistria! We are affecting the spiritual atmosphere there with the message of Jesus that brings hope and true freedom.

We intentionally focus on some of the darkest areas of the world because the need is so great. The Holy Spirit continues to bring His light and love to confirm our work in those nations. We always hear “Thank you for coming and caring about our people and our country.” Together with you we are experiencing the reality and joy of Matthew 6:10:

“Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.”



Running the race to win,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary and Jane Ann Casey".

Gary and Jane Ann Casey

Gateway Missions 2018 Ministry Schedule

- Ecuador
- Cuba
- Transnistria
- Colombia

We hope this letter shows the stark contrast between despair and the hope that occurs when the Spirit has freedom to move in power to overcome political restraints and the work of the enemy. We have a great sense of expectancy for what God is going to do in 2018! Thank you for being channels of blessing with Gateway Missions to Connect People, Nations and Continents for the Great Commission. As we begin our 12th year of full time ministry, we desire your prayers and financial support. Join us in our labor of love for the souls of men and women globally. Together our efforts, investments and sacrifices are laying up treasures in heaven as we walk in obedience to proclaim Christ.

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