

## June 2015 France, Cataracts, Ukraine

### UKRAINE

Our beloved brother Maxim is returning again to Ukraine in a second bid to get a renewed visa so he can continue living in Latvia and avoid the military draft in Ukraine. Although the Western media has gone quiet about it, fighting continues and the tensions have not at all subsided.

### CATARACT OPERATION

Last year brother Alexei, was baptized, who has proven zealous for the Truth. He lives with his grandmother, his parents are dead. His grandmother, Tamara, was baptized in January. She was recommended for cataract operations in 2011 but had no funds for them [we didn't then know her nor was she baptized]. She has lost sight in one eye and will do so soon in the other unless she has the operation. We are open to donations towards this- in total around 400 Euros. Here's a photo of sister Tamara just after her baptism, with brother Nate Badger:



### FRANCE

The feeding scheme supporting the preaching effort in Melun, France has continued with much blessing. Jon & Deb and Cardia from Erith, UK and Sonia from Lyon, France have been helping this weekend. Here they are preparing and serving food:



Thanks to rice steamer technology, we're able to produce many kilograms of rice fairly easily with no kitchen facilities:



Today Duncan continued going through *Bible Basics* with a group of around 60 people, mainly French speaking African immigrants. The lessons were about the promises to Abraham, the hope of Israel and the Kingdom of God to come on earth. One man phoned us to ask questions about what he had heard, after the penny dropped with him that we therefore don't go to Heaven at death. Our multi-ethnic team, comprised of the visitors plus the local baptized brethren, have been targetting the city center with leaflets advertising the feeding scheme and Bible lessons. We also have the *NEV French New Testaments* and other *Bible Basics* literature in French.

Our approach has been to stand around the exits from the train station and try to engage passers by in conversation by giving them a leaflet and then showing them a New Testament and asking if they'd like one; and then engaging them in conversation and encouraging their attendance at the warehouse where the meetings are held. We're also holding meetings most days, often along with a meal, with various folks from the group attending. The passion, Bible

knowledge and fluency of brother Kingsley is especially impressive



**PRAYER POINTS:**

- For sister Tamara not to lose her sight
- For brother Maxim and other Ukrainian brothers to have blessing in their military service issues
- For the outreach in France

**With love from your brothers and sisters of Carelinks**