

Christian Radio for Russia & Ukraine

Sponsor of the New Life Radio Satellite Network—Odessa, Ukraine
Serving the Slavic world with Christian truth through Biblical programming

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Proclaiming Christ to a world at war

LUKE 2:11... "For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."



This Savior is the ONE for whom all of our efforts are directed to as we broadcast this Gospel message over two languages and various media systems to peoples suffering from the ravages of war in three nations.

For people tuning in to New Life Radio, whether they live in Kherson, Kiev, Moscow, or Tel Aviv, we have a message of hope and Good News for those who place their faith in our Savior, born in a manger so long ago. NLR gives the message, but trusts God to lead those He wills, to accept it.

But the work is not easy. Throughout 2023, our radio missionaries in Odessa have suffered ongoing bomb attacks, power outages, telecom interruptions, lack of heat, martial law, and many state restrictions, yet the NLR network has continued its work uninterrupted by the grace of God!

Every day we have the privilege of transmitting Christian teaching and music to widespread areas that don't have local Christian radio and it is our joy to share the Gospel no matter what we face. And as the new year starts we continue to reflect on the birth of Christ and how God's plan of redemption is revealed-- even as the war envelopes the city and nation.

There is much to celebrate! God sent His Son to save us from our sins and to put us in right relationship with the Father in heaven. This is the message we and all of our CRFRU partners invest in for those across the Slavic world who don't know this wonderful plan of salvation in Christ!



Damyr

Radio NOVE ZHITYA, our Ukrainian channel, is continuing to progress in its development as our staff secures more teaching programs and music.

Our bilingual staff have done a good job stepping up to coordinate live daily air shifts while working to program the NLR Russian 24/7 format. We still continue to look for a program director with seminary training along with two more missionaries so we can have the minimal staffing needed to properly operate the **RNZ** channel and get it ready for future expansion possibilities once this war ends.

LISTEN in at www.NLRadio.net or www.Novezhitya.net

TRANSMITTING
from Austria...

NLR-Linz keeps
the network
going no matter
what happens!



For each day of Christian radio, we never know what to expect, but thank the Lord that He has a plan for our broadcasts. On a daily basis, CRFR awaits that unexpected call from Odessa informing us that our building has been hit (with a close call in August). For this reason, we continue to keep Ivan Zhurakovski in Linz, so he can oversee our radio operations by remote control.



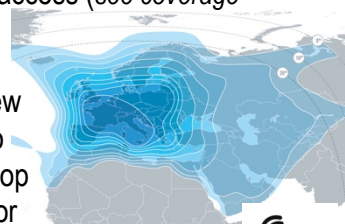
Between Linz and Odessa, our team is able to switch back and forth between our radio studios so the broadcasts continue each day in a seamless fashion. We hope Ivan can go home sooner than expected. Since February 2022, he and his family have been in Moldova, Romania, Hungary, and now Austria in order to keep NLR on the air!

NLR prayer requests for 2024



1st. The foundation supporting NLR's satellite radio channel is closing down. We need new donors in 2024 to meet the **\$21,600** yearly cost to guarantee our signal coverage across Russia as the Kremlin works to sever the nation's media users from global Internet access (see coverage map below right)

2nd. Support for 3 new radio staff at RNZ so we can further develop *Radio Nove Zhitya* for the people of Ukraine)--and finally, the end of war with lasting PEACE!



A word from CRFRU

On behalf of the Board of Directors, it is my great desire to express our deep gratitude to everyone who has invested in New Life Radio this past year!



Daniel Mark Marlene Oksana
Not pictured Brian Bettger, chair; Doug Kibbe

As we contemplate the meaning of Christmas and all this implies for our faith and eternal life with God, we understand the importance of dedicating all of our efforts to sharing the message of NEW LIFE in Christ. Without our core group of ministry partners coming alongside us, we would be unable to carry this out.

Working amidst war is tough enough for any ministry, but we see so much potential for carrying out the Great Commission even in the bleakest of conditions. In this regard, CRFRU is strategizing to expand our radio network inside of Ukraine, including satellite radio and local FM radio distribution. It's a big challenge, but we ask for prayer that God would lead us in the direction we should go. Thanks for continuing to support NLR!

In Christ, Daniel Johnson



The people you support: NLR listeners respond...

Petya: *Thank you for your labor. Thank the Lord Jesus for your radio, for theology, history, and lovely music. If possible, can I relisten to the recording of GOD's intention for marriage?*

Tatiana: *Thank God for you NLR that you broadcast your sermons and programs as a bridge on which you can go to a safe place. Thank you to all who pray for me and support me. I feel it even at a distance. Please play a wonderful song for everyone.*

Andre B. *Huge thanks! Yesterday I began to listen to your radio and was pleasantly surprised that such a radio exists! May the Lord bless you!*

Tanyusha: *I am grateful to the Lord God that he united me together with YOU! And for huge love of Jesus! Now I am being fed. May the Heavenly Father lead your listeners to a move toward your wise words.*

Lena: *Greetings NLR! I am writing to you from Germany listening with pleasure your radio every day! New Life Radio decorates my life! Thanks*

Vechni Vityapavenitel: *You have a very helpful radio!*

Dalimu: *Thank God that He feeds us with the Gospel through your sermon about the Lord Jesus Christ from early morning! May truth sound out on NLR*

NLR listeners continued...

Valeria: *Good evening dear radio. Really interesting sermon about women and calling, that was at 5pm today. Thank you! Please tell me if I can find it on the Internet.*

Thanks to God the Father that He makes from our hearts a wonderful family about which I learn when I turn on your radio! Tatiana

Igor: *NLR, I love you forever!*



YURI at NLR

New Life Radio has a mandate to reach across these nations with Biblical programming, featuring outstanding Bible teachers explaining God's Word from Genesis to Revelation. Whether in Russian from NLR or Ukrainian from *Radio Nove Zhitya*, we are positioned at a unique time to place Christ's message of hope and salvation into thousands of cities and small communities via our satellite and Internet channels. It is an effort worthy of your support and prayers, and equivalent to sponsoring 2 missionary families to Russia.

NLR operations cost/month: \$8,400

(personnel, facilities, satellite, utilities, & telecom for two sites—Odessa and Linz, Austria)

Cost to expand Nove Zhitya: \$3,500

(3 staff and Internet radio, *without satellite*. RNZ shares facilities with NLR at no further cost)

Thanks for your partnership in the Gospel and for your continuing prayers for the safety of our radio missionaries and network building!

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