

To all our dear friends in international "Faith and Light", that keep Ukraine in their hearts and prayers.

Thank you very much for your support!!!

This morning 24/02/2022 unfortunately, Putin's soldiers crossed the borders of Ukraine and began shooting at our city's and at civilians.

We have imposed martial law. The war has begun. Russian troops are carrying out simultaneous attacks along much of the border with Russia and Belurus.

The Armed Forces of the Russian Federation began intense shelling of our units in the east, fired rockets and bombs at airfields in Boryspil, Ozernoye, Kulbakin, Chuguev, Kramatorsk, Chornobayevka, as well as military facilities of the Armed Forces of Ukraine. At the same time, artillery shelling of the territory and settlements of Ukraine along the state border and on the border with Crimean began.

What does this mean for community of "Faith and Light" in Ukraine?

Most of the Ukrainian Faith and Light communities are located in the West of the Ukraine. This is an area that is far from the front line.

But, we are worried about the two communities in Kyiv (the capital of our country). Now Russian troops are trying to break into Kyiv, attacking around the Kyiv region.

We are worried about all Ukrainian, our relatives, our friends from those regions. We are worried about all of Ukraine. There is no justification for what is happening.

We try to keep calm and cool. We are preparing to be able to help each other in need.

Our strength is in unity and cohesion.

In our prayers, we remember our sisters and brothers from the Russian "Faith and Light".

We know they do not approve of the actions of their president and do not support the aggression to Ukraine. The war is for everyone big pain and despair.

We ask our international family to continue to pray for peace in Ukraine and stop Russian aggression.

Every day we will try to pray for peace with members from our communities on zoom. We have limited access to zoom and the possible times will vary. But, we can't say for sure, but we will try to give the opportunity for those of you who want to join us. We will pray in Ukrainian. So, if you join us, it will be great, but if not, we trust in your good intentions and support. We encourage you to pray in your communities.

We really depend on God's mercy.

Thank you for your prayerful participation. We need each other!

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