



The Lord joined two more members: **Lyuba Ponchko** and her son **Serhiy** to our church on October 28, 2006. They had been attending church on and off since 1999.

Lyuba's mother Hanna had been praying for her daughter and grandson all this time. God showed His kindness and mercy to them, and on the baptism day Lyuba witnessed that she could see God's hand all of the time when their family was exposed to so many trials and tribulations. Serhiy has just graduated from the philological department of Ternopil Pedagogical University.



**Valentyna Bekh** started going to church in 2006. Before being baptized she had attended Svitlana Shandruk's house group where they read God's word and prayed together. She is retired,

however, she is very enthusiastic in her fresh commitment to Christ.



#### Our Prayers:

We pray for our relatives and friends who are not yet saved.

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We are praying for these new souls and for keeping them in purity and holiness for God's work. We are also grateful to God for His courageous people from Texas, Michigan, Canada, Switzerland and Pittsburgh whom He has been using for building the body of Christ in Ternopil, Ukraine, from the very beginning for the mutual encouragement and edification in Christ. May the Lord bless them and give them peace, joy and full lives in Him!

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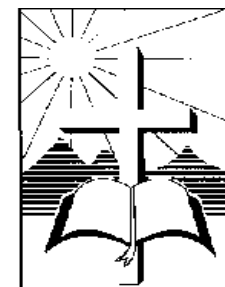
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*"There is rejoicing  
in the presence of the angels of God  
over one sinner who repents". (Luke  
15:10)*

We are grateful to God for the new souls whom God has recently added to our church. Most of them had been attending our congregation and maturing before they made this important decision in their life. We would like to present our newborn sisters and brothers in Christ to you.



**Irena Pasichnyk** started attending the Church of Christ back in 1998. When I first met her at our annual VBS I was impressed by her outstanding ability to draw and paint. Afterwards at the Easter celebration Irena sang for the congregation for the first time. Now she is one of the most

active participants of annual Festivals of Christian songs which are held in Ternopil every spring. Years passed, we enjoyed Irena's beautiful voice which she used for glorifying the Lord. On July 9 which happened to be a rainy day she made her decision to commit her life to God by being baptized. At present Irena is a student of Ternopil musical school, and also an active member of our Christian family. We are delighted that God has graciously blessed us with such a sister who uses her singing talents so effectively for the Lord.



**Taras Lopushnyak** started going to our church in 2006. He had not been a very active member until the youth retreat this summer. This trip and his mother's fervent prayers together made a difference in his life. During the preparation time for the summer VBS, on August 3, 2006 Taras was baptized. This was a very special baptism since it took place during the youth retreat in a very picturesque place Skomorohy, about 70 km from Ternopil. The weather was ideal. Young people as well

as the happy parents and brother were witnessing this event. Taras is a well-educated young man starting his own business now. He is also a very effective worker in the Lord's vineyard. God satisfies the desires of our hearts and meets our needs. We had experienced a lack of men's voices, and the Lord gave us a bass which makes our church chorus sound much better. Praise the Lord for Taras!



**Ira Lusik** has been attending our church since 1996. Ira had always been an active helper in the VBS. However, this year's VBS became very special for her. Ira made a covenant with God on August 16, 2006. The baptism happened on a sunny day. Ira is a third-year student of the Foreign Languages Department of Ternopil University. She is an active member of our church, and we are thankful to God for this sister

**Sophia Lutsykiv** first came to the church with her grandmother Lyudmyla Tretyak back in 1997. During the New Year festivities she sang "Silent Night" for the congregation for the first time. Thus, her singing

ministry started in church. She is presently very helpful in the singing ministry at Sunday worship services. She is also very enthusiastic in her participation in annual festivals of Christian songs and an active member of summer VBS for children. On August 16, 2006 Sophia got baptized together with Ira in the Ternopil lake. Sophia is a freshman at Ternopil university. Now she sings in the church sextet together with Vika Yelisyeyeva, Taras Lopushnyak, Irena Pasichnyk, Nastya Lutsykiv and Oksana Geogdzhayeva.



**Ihor Polyanytsya** began attending church in July 2006. Ihor is a professional vet, but now he works as a renovation specialist.

Ihor became part of our church in October. We are grateful to God for adding brothers to our Christian family.