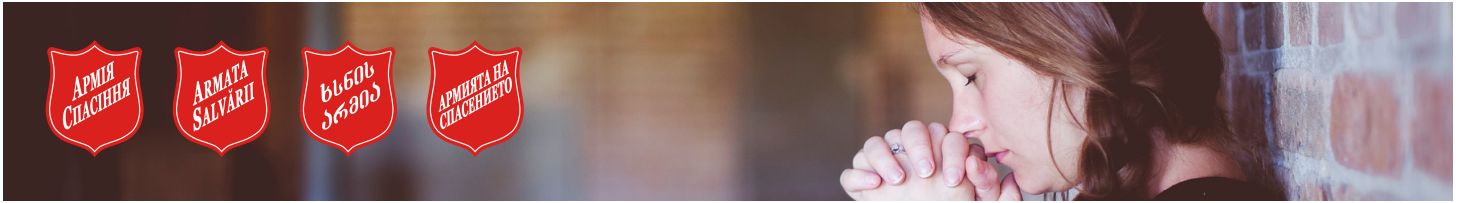


# 40 DAYS OF PRAYER

Eastern Europe Territory | 11 April - 23 May



*Day 32 | May 14 | Megobroba*

Greetings to you my dear brothers and sisters, in the name of Jesus.

Psalms 38:11 says: "You, O LORD, will not withhold Your compassion from me; Your loving kindness and Your truth will continually preserve me."

It says "O, Lord, will not withhold your compassion", and yet, what is compassion. During the conversation, we often use the word- compassion. According to the dictionary, compassion is a synonym for kindness but the essence of the word has a deeper meaning. Compassion is not driven by any motivation as it is as natural as breathing. Compassion is the highest manifestation of consciousness.

Paul states in Romans 15:1-2 "Now we who are strong ought to bear the weaknesses of those without strength and not just please ourselves. Each of us is to please his neighbor for his good, to his edification."

One day the professor gave balloons to each student. The students had to inflame the balloon, write their own names on it and throw it in the hallway. The professor mingled inflamed balloons and gave them 5 minutes to find their own balloons. No one could complete the task. Then the professor gave them another instruction: the very first balloon the student will get should be handed over to the one whose name was written on it. After 5 minutes each student received their own balloon.

Those balloons are like happiness and compassion, we can never have them if we only seek for ourselves and never for others.

Compassion gives us the ability to feel others' feelings. Empathy is the fifth feeling. The Lord Jesus Christ was, is, and will be the greatest example of care and compassion. He was full of compassion toward needy and sick people. When He healed, Jesus rejoiced with people and He was cry with them. Jesus showed compassion while He was teaching them.

In Hebrew 4:14-16 we read: "Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need."

May the Lord bless us and give us more compassion!