

# Ukraine Prayer Update – Thursday April 7, 2022 – Day 43

## Praise Reports

- **Success** - Ukrainian Air Defense shot down 3 cruise missiles over Zaporizhiye overnight. Russian army attempted to break through the defenses near Novotoshkivske, but failed to create a small encirclement to the east in Luhansk.
- **NATO** - Ukrainian foreign minister says there is no distinction between offensive and defensive weapons - any weapons, including tanks and fast jets, would be used to defend Ukraine. He says any country making this distinction (and plenty do) are being hypocritical and NATO Secretary General @jensstoltenberg says he agrees with this statement.
- **US** - approved \$100 million in Javelin anti-tank missiles bringing the total military aid to \$1.7B.
- **UK** - The UK has imposed a full asset freeze on Russia's largest bank Sberbank and committed to end all imports of Russian coal and oil by the end of 2022 in retaliation to Russia's continued invasion of Ukraine. Also Britain is drawing up plans to send armoured vehicles to Ukraine.
- **China** - state refiners are honouring existing Russian oil contracts but avoiding new ones despite steep discounts, heeding Beijing's call for caution as western sanctions mount against Russia over its invasion of Ukraine, six people told Reuters.
- **G7** - Secretary Antony Blinken: The G7 is committed to holding President Putin to account for his unprovoked war of choice and ensuring he endures a strategic defeat in Ukraine.
- **Finance** - Washington will ban all new investments in Russia from Wednesday. As of Monday the treasury department banned all US financial institutions from facilitating Russian payments thus pushing Russia dangerously close to default. Russia reported that their attempts to pay their \$649.2 billion bond payment due Monday via dollars had been rejected by all banks and so they had simply placed the funds in rubles in their National Settlement Fund and considered they had paid what they owed. But all the credit reporting agencies have declared that this places them either in default or in the process of defaulting.

## Pray Points - Today's Latest

- **Zelensky** - declared that the most recent round of negotiations were inadequate, because they did not go far enough simply and encouragement to rush it to attack again! Also he said that because of the negative processor Bucher the Russian troops are changing their tactics and attempting to hide and cover up the evidence of their atrocities as they leave regions. One of the ways they're doing it is by operating crematoria in Mariupol.
- **Mariupol** - More than 5,000 civilians, including 210 children, have been killed in Mariupol since the start of Russia's invasion, the mayor of the besieged city said. Mayor Vadym Boichenko said 90% of the city's infrastructure has been destroyed.
- **NATO** - Today the foreign ministers of NATO countries as well as those of Ukraine, Finland, Sweden, Georgia, Australia, Japan, New Zealand and South Korea are slated to hold a meeting to discuss Ukraine in Brussels.
- **False Flag** - Russian Ministry of Defense accuse Ukraine in preparation of false-flag operation with chlorine in Pervomaiskyi of Kharkiv region.
- **Evacuation & Panic** - Ukraine has urged civilians to leave the east of the country "while the opportunity still exists" before a massive Russian military assault that it expects in the coming days. The governors of the Kharkiv, Luhansk and Donetsk regions were calling on people to move immediately to safer areas. "It has to be done now, because later people will be under fire and face the threat of death. There is nothing they will be able to do about it."
- **May 9** - Reports are that Putin needs the invasion successful in time for the Victory Day parades, thereby threatening great attacks over the coming month. Putin would want to have an "announceable success" by then, which could create "some tension" with Russian commanders as exhausted forces were likely to be thrown into battle fairly soon in an attempt to gain ground in Donetsk, Luhansk and Kharkiv.

## Pray Points - Continued

- **Europe/US** – pray they will block all gas imports and provide truly meaningful military support.
- **Russia's Invasion** – pray against the preparations the Russian army is making to re-invade Sumy and Donbas and Mikolaiv
- **Oil** – Pray that Europe would have the political will to do a complete embargo of Russian fossil fuels (oil, gas, coal, etc.)
- **Retreating Russians** - Russian troops planted explosives at Cookies plant in Bucha, also poisoned all products at warehouses also retreating Russian forces are creating “a complete disaster” by leaving mines on homes and corpses in their wake, as renewed missile strikes on Ukrainian cities were reported. And 200 Ukrainian National Guard troops were also taken prisoner back to Belarus when the Russians left Chernobyl.
- **Sumy/Kharkiv** - Many villages completely cut off from all supplies and food and water!
- **Izium** - Russian troops captured Izium town in Kharkiv region
- **China** - Ukraine's security service said the Chinese government attempted to hack more than 600 websites belonging to the government and other key institutions, beginning before the Olympics.
- **Global Food** - there could be a global food crisis as Ukrainian farmers are being forced to limit what they plant due to the war. And also due to the fact that the main ways that they have a reaching global markets through the Black Sea is now blocked by Russia. Russia and Ukraine together produce 25% of all green in the world!
- **Refugees** - According to Polish border guards, more than 2.4 million people have fled Ukraine to Poland . However, supplies have dropped off and now the whole regions are struggling.
- **For the Weak** - Russia has flown more than 300 air sorties over Ukraine in the past 24 hours: senior U.S. defense official
- **Russian Elites** – to turn on one another and on Putin
- **Russian Conscripts** - President Vladimir Putin on Thursday signed a decree ordering 134,500 new conscripts into the army as part of Russia's annual spring draft, but the defence ministry said the call-up had nothing to do with the war in Ukraine.
- **Russian Mercenaries** - British military intelligence said on Monday the Russian private military company, the Wagner Group, has been deployed to eastern Ukraine. “They are expected to deploy more than 1,000 mercenaries, including senior leaders of the organization, to undertake combat operations,” Britain's Ministry of Defense said. These are particularly used to create terror to break the back of citizen resistance in occupied territories
- **Russian Military** – continuing to press in the north, but the real danger is that Russia seems to preparing for an all-out push in Donbas to encircle the Ukrainian army and to take the entire region and to create a united front against Ukraine.
- **Russian Soldiers** – pray for their physical,emotional and spiritual well-being and for them to have the courage to face the Truth and the opportunity to receive the Gospel which is the ONLY answer to the atrocities they've already committed.
- **Russian Opposition** – that those in the inner circle will see a way out and that Russian Opposition would be able to gather together in a meaningful way
- **Russia Offensive** - Russia attempts to break
- **The Truth** – In all things that the Truth would be painfully evident and unavoidable in all public discussion
- **Ukrainian Army** - Russia is attempting to encircle the Ukrainian Army in Donbas
- **Russia** – for the people to wake up to the Truth and rise up
- **Putin's Inner Circle** – to fragment and turn on one another
- **Protection of the Weak**
- **The West** – to not grow numb to atrocities, but be compelled to action
  - **Military Aid** – High Altitude Missiles
  - **Evacuation** – Mariupol
  - **Peace Keepers** – to aid evacuations and protect and provide humanitarian aid

## Prayer Strategies

- Corruption & Domination Falls
  - Russia, Belarus & Ukraine
  - The Former Soviet Union
  - China, India, UAE & Saudi Arabia
- Truth & Freedom prevail
- The Gospel is spreads like wildfire
  - From Ukraine
  - To Russia
  - To the whole world

## Prayer Encouragement

"Each time, before you intercede, be quiet first, and worship God in His glory. Think of what He can do, and how He delights to hear the prayers of His redeemed people. Think of your place and privilege in Christ, and expect great things!"

— Andrew Murray