

SKORYK FAMILY Hosted by the Veldhoen family

Our family had to flee the war twice. The first time was in 2014, when the war broke out in eastern Ukraine, where our home was at the time. The second time was on February 24, 2022, when we woke up at 5 am to the sound of explosions near our house. It was a scary and dangerous adventure for our family. We were leaving for nowhere, having managed to capture only the most valuable things - 2 suitcases of essentials and 2 cats. We did not know how and where we would end up at the end of our journey, but the Lord has been with us for a long time, he leads our family with love and care, so we just trusted in his hands.

In the darkest times, Jesus showed the way and led us forward. He showed us many miracles. There were days when it seemed that there was no way out of the situation, but in the morning the Lord sent help and everything was resolved.

So we met a wonderful Canadian family just on Facebook. Christine, Jason, Nolan and Clayton Veldhoen generously opened their home doors for us and were a huge support and care during our first weeks in Canada.

This is how we got to know Trinity Christian School. From the very first day at TCS, the administration, teachers, parents and students show us their benefactor, kindness, support and love. And it is love that heals our hearts. The best gift is to see the smiles of our children after school. Every day we thank the Lord and pray for the wonderful people we met here. We are happy to stay with the school for the next academic year and serve the community.

Blessings, Olena, Vitalii, Vitalina and Gleb Skoryk



DROBOT FAMILY

Hosted by the Wiebe family

On the morning of February 24, 2022 when Russia invaded Ukraine, my husband, Vasyl, called us from his job abroad and told me not to send the children to school and to prepare to leave the Ukraine. Although we were living near Lviv and not in the area that was being invaded, Vasyl had the foresight of what might come of this war. We left Ukraine in March. My children and I drove to another country, Romania. There we met my husband and lived for a month while working on documents for Canada. We left our relatives and friends at home. We left our house and everything we had acquired in how many years. We took with us only documents, some clothes and a few children's toys. The children had a large playroom at home, and a lot of toys they left there.

Every Sunday the church prays for him and his way to those places. He comes under fire every time he goes to those people. When asked why he risks his life, he says that he can't do otherwise, he can't be at home knowing that people are dying, and he will help as much as he can all the time.

Leaving our home and our family was the saddest day ever but we are we are incredibly grateful to you for the support we have received for our family. We moved from Ukraine two months ago, and our lives have become different than they have been so far. We would never have thought that we would leave our home and move to another country. But God leads us in his way.

When we were looking for a school for Victor, we didn't even think we would find a Christian school, and we were very happy to find one. Our family is very grateful to you for accepting us in this way. Thank you for the good and friendly teachers and children. Viktor feels very well and comfortable at school, although there is still a language barrier.

Thank you for the opportunity for our children to go to school, play and relax in peace and quiet. Thank you for the gifts from parents, for their incredible generosity to us. Thank you to the school for opening its doors to us. I believe that this school will be a good start for a new life here for our children.

May the Lord bless you. May He give you more than you can imagine. Thank you again

With great gratitude and love to you, The Drobot family. Vasyl , Iryna , Viktor and Alex.



WIEBE FAMILY

Hosts for Drobot family

For those that don't know our family, our daughters, Janelle and Isabelle, attended TCS for Kindergarten through Grade 9 graduating in 2014 and 2016. They are now 22 and 21!

When Colin and I decided to make ourselves available to host a family fleeing Ukraine, God brought the Drobot family into our lives on April 20th. One of the first things they wanted to do was get their son, Viktor, into a school. In discussing the options, we learned they were fellow Christ followers and had been part of a Baptist church in Ukraine. I reached out to TCS and there "happened" to be a spot available for Viktor as someone had moved away just a couple days earlier.

When our daughters attended Trinity, the TCS Community was such a key characteristic of the school and It has been so lovely for me to observe that the TCS Community continues to be so welcoming, loving and supportive as you have embraced Viktor and his family. I have also loved seeing how the TCS Community has become more multi-cultural as Viktor and his family have been able to connect with other students and parents from Eastern Europe.

Thank you TCS administration, teachers, EAs, students and parents for allowing yourselves to be used by God to share His love with and His provision for the Drobot family.

Patty Wiebe

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