

We exist to serve the spiritual, emotional, and physical needs of women and children, orphans, and children with special needs and their families in Ukraine with the love of Christ.



'Home Sweet Home'

She lives in a small village in a place where alcohol continues to destroy homes and families. When Alena was picked up for camp her alcoholic parents were fighting against the believers who had come to take her and her grandmother to camp. The scene was gruesome, but time at camp relieved the pain of what was left behind. When Baba Luba was returned to her home with Alena, they were brought to Grandma's home, where Alena could be free from her parent's alcohol-induced rage.

However, this rescue is possible only for a short time. Grandma is too weak and sickly to even lift Alena into her wheelchair. She is dependent on friends nearby who can lift her. Although she has a garden, goats, and grapes, she has only her small pension to live off and to provide for her and Alena's needs. She dreams of a place where her granddaughter could be taken care of, where she could have enough food and stay washed and clean.

A recent visit to their village home came with bags of bread, meat, noodles and cereals. They greeted their guests with such joy and pleasure as again our favorite Grandmother blessed everyone for their care and concern.

Good Mansion's Favorite Grandmother

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She Brought a Smile to Every Face

She brought a smile to every face when they saw her in action: Hugging, kissing, and crying, as she blessed anyone and everyone at Good Mansion's camp. Granny Luba came to camp with her 12 year old granddaughter Alena, a beautiful dark hair teenager with the biggest, bluest beautiful eyes with cerebral palsy.

This was Alena's second time at camp, but the first time for her grandmother. Baba Luba had been so blessed by the beauty she saw there that her eyes were filled with tears of joy every time she raised her voice to thank someone for providing such an experience for her and her grandchild. She marveled at how Alena's counselors took care of her by wiping her face or pushing her wheelchair, propping her back up again or taking her to shower.

'I am so Happy, I am Ready to Die'

For the first time in her life, Grandma Luba took a hot shower at the camp facility, and she whispered 'I am so happy, I am ready to die'. After a while we heard this saying from her on the day of the Parent Group Spa. Grandma Luba received a facial treatment for the first time in 75 years! She smiled as she sat under a cloth covering her steaming bowl of scented water. Oh, the needed relief camp brings to so many families with children with special needs! When would she ever receive such attention? But one day, camp ended and the time came for Baba Luba, Alena, and all the others to return to their broken lives in small towns and villages surrounding Zhitomir. The tears shed could fill the ocean blue. Baba Luba's story is not much different from so many.



Pray for the Lord to provide:

- ~ Diapers for Alena
- ~ Funds to build a ramp and fix the stove at her Grandma's place
- ~ A new loving family for Alena