

**Ukrainian Baptist Theological
Seminary
Fall 2020 Project**



Dear Friends,

Ukraine currently has divided the country into four zones depending on the severity of COVID-19. Lviv, the prime location of UBTS, is in the orange zone requiring strict protocols for re-opening, including temperature checks, masks and 40 minute classes before a break is needed.

Thankfully, their new facility opened in September 2020, which is comprised of 2 large classrooms and 4 smaller ones. The original building has one large classroom and 2 smaller ones. Five other buildings around the city are being used to accommodate an enrollment of about 800 students. Thus far, about 24-30% of the students have signed up for in person learning, while the remainder have chosen online. Within the physical distancing rules, the seminary can care for 220 students on site.



The COVID protocols and development of online learning comes at a high cost. Dr. Slavik Pyzh, president, listed the 4 areas that now confront the UBTS financial capacity:

1. Rental of more residential units to keep students apart.
2. Medical costs for testing students.
3. Assisting of students should they become infected with COVID.
4. Students in financial hardship. Some come from the warzone and have no funds. Many others have so little.

Would you consider a special contribution for the students? The annual cost for each student is \$1000 usd. Each and every gift will be appreciated.

Together let's see God develop this new generation of committed followers of Christ!

Blessings,

Dan Ciona
Secretary/Treasurer

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Executive Director