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February 23, 2022, Ukraine awoke to the explosions and carnage of Russian invasion. Not only has this been the largest military conflict in Europe since World War II, but it's also caused the largest humanitarian disaster in Europe since the Second World War has hundreds of thousands of people evacuate their homes, towns and in cities to escape Russian aggression.

Since the invasion began, Concilium has been in contact with more than 40 mission agencies as well as individual Christians in Ukrainian asking for help. Literally within two hours of the first bombs falling, requests for help reached Concilium. In the last 48 hours, the numbers of those evacuating grew from a few hundred to over 500,000 as Ukrainians began fleeing Russian attack. Now, the first Russian military units are on the edge of the Ukrainian capital, Kiev, seeking to topple the government. The result has been a humanitarian disaster of unprecedented proportions.

At this point, I have tasked Concilium to support God's CHURCH in Ukraine. The needs that Concilium has been asked to meet far outweigh our ability to respond. We have begun to triage requests for help and prioritize them based on Concilium's five-fold ministry of training, analysis, crisis management, member care, and public engagement.

Right now, Concilium has an immediate need for \$50,000 to put towards Ukrainian crisis response efforts. This began with focusing our Watch Center fully toward the Ukraine response to handle the increasing requests for help. We are bringing in more workers to serve 24/7 in the Watch Center and to receive requests for helps and coordinate Concilium's crisis response.

Concilium is also raising support for an assessment and response team that deployed Friday, February 25. This team will be assessing long term needs as well as filling immediate requests for psychological first aid training, stress debriefing, first aid training (stop the bleed and shock), and evacuation support. The team is comprised of resources and expertise from our US, Canadian, Eurasian, and Asia-Pacific offices.

As we begin this response, I am asking that you please prayerfully consider supporting this endeavor and share this need far and wide. I ask also that you bathe our response in prayer as we seek the Lord for wisdom on how to respond and for protection as we serve.

Concilium is a 501(c)3 nonprofit ministry dedicated to helping gospel workers develop safety and security in their ministries, teams, and families. From missionaries and Christian humanitarians to local believers facing terrible persecution, Concilium is helping Christians the world over make disciples for God's glory!

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