## **HCR News**



## **HumanCare Russia**



HCR's new board wishes all friends and interested parties a really nice spring with a blessed Easter and Pentecost

HumanCare Russia has held a general meeting. We say welcome to a new member of the board: Flemming Lyngbeck Hansen. At the subsequent board meeting, the board constituted itself: Ellen Margrethe Krabbe continues as chairman. Flemming Lyngbeck Hansen was appointed vice chairman. Elisabeth Louise Broeker continues as webmaster, cashier and newsletter-editor. Ulla Carstensen was appointed PR project manager and secretary.









Ellen Margrethe Flemming Lyngbeck, Ulla Carstensen Elisabeth Louise Krabbe Hansen Brøker

## The tragic invasion of Ukraine

We on the board, like everyone else in Denmark, are deeply affected by the tragic events in Ukraine. It's a human disaster. We cannot speak out politically, because Human Care Russia is an apolitical association. We are peace-loving and any kind of war hurts us. But that does not stop us from helping people who need help. Yes, the needy in the Moscow congregation will need more help when the tragic invasion leads to sanctions that harm the poor more than the rich. So we keep helping. But we mourn what happened. • • And we pray for peace.

Here is a picture of some of the children who still need help.



## Our coordinator in Moscow Irina Smirnova has sent the following Annual letter

The last year, the year 2021, the second year of the pandemic, was as hard as the year 2020 for our church congregation. Many of the congregation members became ill with Covid-19, many of them lost friends, colleagues and relatives. Many experienced mental difficulties associated with the imposed restrictions and isolation or financial problems.

You know all these circumstances well. In this difficult situation, your association HumanCare Russia gave us great moral and material help. All the money you sent to us was used to support the most vulnerable members of the congregation: they are families with children, seriously ill and poor people. The congregation's families with many children could buy diapers, toys, shoes. Some old ward members could undergo the necessary expensive examination and treatment, and it would be impossible for them without your help. Some people could pay their debts or buy medicine.

One of the most memorable events of this second year of the pandemic is our meeting with Ellen Margrethe and Elisabeth Louise. Despite the high risks associated with the pandemic, they came to Moscow and visited Fr. Pavel and numerous parishioners.

This meeting was all the more touching because it coincided with Connie Meyer's birthday, and over the last thirty years, Connie has worked as a representative of the Paul Society and the Human Care Russia Fund, helping many people.

Thanks to you, the work that Connie began in the 90s goes on to bring light, warmth and hope to our hearts. We thank you very much for your sympathetic attitude to our problems and the desire to help.

Now that life in Russia is changing due to the recent tragic events, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts for understanding the realities of our lives and your readiness to continue to help our congregation.

Kind regards



**Donations:** Support is still needed, and especially now. HumanCare Russia is still working to raise money for donations. We will send as soon as possible





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Christ is risgn - Ygs, indeed risgn The board wishes everyone a beautiful spring and a happy Easter.