Escape from Ukraine

~ Coach Taylor

As our data entry expert, Yana has been processing GOGI student certificates with great dedication. Through her work with GOGI, she has learned a bit of English and has become part of the GOGI family.

Yana emailed me in March and shared that she might not have access to electricity or internet for a while, as the town was preparing for an invasion. She wanted to know if she would still have a job once the fighting was over. “GOGI4Life!” was my reply, her job would be waiting for her.

Yana’s hometown of Mariupol, Ukraine, came under attack shortly after her email. A few weeks into the fighting we received word from someone who escaped to Poland who said that Yana had refused to leave Mariupol until her mother could be found. Weeks past and there was no word from Yana.

Finally, three weeks later, we received good news. Yana is leaving Mariupol. With her are her three most prized possessions; 1) her elderly mother, 2) a handful of family pictures, 3) her GOGI laptop computer.

We have learned that during the fighting, Yana’s concern was that her student reports would be delayed. A war was raging at the doorstep and from the basement of that home, her thoughts were focused on finding her mother, grabbing family pictures, and getting her GOGI student database to safety.

I share this information with you because Yana’s spirit of service is the heart and soul, and the very core of what it means to be GOGI. I have said it for the past twenty years and I will say it for the next twenty. GOGI is NOT A PROGRAM. Rather, GOGI is a way of living life that makes life worth living.

For those of you who understand what I mean when I say GOGI is NOT a program, you are likely to understand Yana. You likely feel compelled to protect and share your GOGI Life Tools. This is what we do when we live The GOGI Way. We see our GOGI Life Tools as a lifeline for others, and we will walk through any battle holding firmly to our belief. GOGI Coaches often feel an unshakable requirement to be of service. This, I believe, is why there is a ZERO recidivism rate among Certified GOGI Community Coaches. At GOGI, we know service sets us free, regardless of the war that is raging.

Yana is finally on her way to safety. She will resume her GOGI work once she has an internet connection. Yana’s journey is a reminder for us. We all have our own war around or within. With a focus on service, however, we will emerge from the battle less tarnished.

With Love,

Coach Taylor
GOGI’s Domestic Harmony
GOGI’s Domestic Violence course is now on sale. GOGI will continue to develop and offer specific courses to address stated needs. We seek grant funding to support the cost of these courses, but in the absence of grant funding, we are keeping the cost as low as possible so as many people who need this course can benefit from its teachings.

RAC Credits
If you want GOGI on your yard, we will support it. Your CRM holds the key to a SHS and meetings. If you can convince the CRM your yard needs GOGI, then GOGI will supply the materials to make it happen.

Board Letters
Give us 12 weeks to prepare a Board letter and we send a copy to the Board for you!

GOGI’s Zero Recidivism Rate
We are proud to say that GOGI is maintaining a zero percent recidivism among our Certified GOGI Community Coaches who are released. Way to GOGI!

GOGI Global/GOGI Africa - GOGI has formed a GOGI Global advisory group. The GOGI Global advisors are tasked with expanding GOGI Life Tool use throughout Ghana, as well as initiating the expansion of the GOGI Life Tools internationally.

We Love Stamps - Do you have extra stamps? GOGI needs any denomination of stamps to help us reach our goal of responding quickly to the 1,000 pieces of mail we receive each month.

Course Completions — We need EIGHT WEEKS, sometimes nine weeks, to process courses you mail to GOGI. When a course is mailed and the very next week we receive a letter complaining that the credit has not been processed, it makes us sad. Please give us 8 weeks before you share the observation that we aren’t fast enough. We are doing our best to win every battle that comes our way.

Zoom Into GOGI - GOGI has a Tuesday night meeting on Zoom where all are welcomed. Let your family know what you know. GOGI Zoom can be a soft landing for you AND your family. When you get out, your family can unite THE GOGI WAY! GOGI can be your family foundation. Couples can do GOGI together, by zooming GOGI! Want more info? 8629526963 is the zoom link. Tuesday nights. 6:00 pm Pac.

GOGI’s Socials — Make sure you have family and friends connect with Facebook: Getting Out by Going In. Instagram: GOGI Life Tools. TikTok: GOGI Life Tools. Your family and friends can start loving GOGI.

Connect - Below is a screenshot from our website, www.Gettingoutbygoingin.org where family and friends can learn about the GOGI Life Tools.

Below is GOGI’s Facebook page with a picture of the GOGI Africa travel team.

Below is a picture of our Instagram