**A PRAYER from Psalm 81 adapted and personalized for Baptist spiritual workers**

**PSALM 81 GOD EXPRESSES HIS DESIRE FOR UKRAINE**

**Psa 81:1** Shout for joy to God our defender; sing praise to the God of Jacob our spiritual ancestor!

Psa 81:2 Start the music and beat the tambourines; play pleasant music on the guitars and the mandolins.

Psa 81:3 Blow the trumpet for the festival, when the moon is new and when the moon is full.

Psa 81:4 This is the law in Ukraine, an order from the God of our ancestor Jacob.

Psa 81:5 He gave it to the people of Ukraine when he attacked the land of atheistic Soviet Union. I hear an unknown voice saying,

Psa 81:6 "I took the burdens off your backs; I let you put down your loads of bricks.

Psa 81:7 When you were in trouble, you called to me, and I saved you. From my hiding place in the storm, I answered you. I put you to the test at the springs of the Dnepr in 1986.

Psa 81:8 Listen, my people, to my warning; Ukraine, how I wish you would listen to me and be Born-Again!

Psa 81:9 You must never worship another God.

Psa 81:10 I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of atheistic Soviet Union. Open your mouth, and I will feed you with prosperity, peace and contentment.

Psa 81:11 "But my people would not listen to me; Ukraine would not obey me.

Psa 81:12 So I let them go their stubborn ways and do whatever they wanted.

Psa 81:13 How I wish my Ukrainian people would listen to me; how I wish they would obey me righteously!

Psa 81:14 I would quickly defeat their enemies and conquer all their foes.

Psa 81:15 Those MEN who hate me would bow in fear before me; their punishment in Hell would last forever.

Psa 81:16 But I would feed you, the God-followers, with the finest wheat and satisfy you with wild honey – godliness with contentment."