

Estonia (EUROPE)

Population: 1,326,685

Languages: Estonian, Russian

Religions: Atheism, Evangelical Lutheran, Russian Orthodox, Eastern Orthodox

People: One of the longest-settled peoples in Europe; stable democracy; ongoing after-effects of Soviet rule (1945-1989). One of the highest per capita income levels in Eastern Europe; highly skilled labor force.

What to Pray About: With a history of severe persecution of all religions between 1940-1988, 54% of Estonians now claim to be non-religious; many are drawn to pagan religions and cults such as Mormonism. The currently wide-open door to religion has attracted many false teachings, while opening vast opportunities for the Gospel. Constitution guarantees freedom of religion, separation of church and state, and individual rights to privacy of belief and religion. Need for true Gospel witness.

Local sister church (elders listed):
Liberty Baptist Church, Norwood
Pastor Brady Clark

Reformed Baptist Network sister church:
Harbor Reformed Baptist Church
Holland MI
<http://www.harborchurchholland.org>
Pastors Mark Chanski, Kevin Filcik, Peter Banfe

Confession of Faith - Orthodox Catechism Q/A #3-5:

3: How do you come to know your misery?

Answer: The law of God tells me.

Romans 3:20 Romans 7:7-25

4: What does God's law require of us?

Answer: Christ teaches us this in summary in Matthew 22:37-40—Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.(a) This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself. (b)All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.

(a)Deuteronomy 6:5 (b)Leviticus 19:18

5: Can you live up to all this perfectly?

Answer: No. I have a natural tendency to hate God (a) and my neighbor.(b)

(a)Romans 3:9-20, 23 1 John 1:8, 10

(b)Genesis 6:5 Jeremiah 17:9 Romans 7:23-24
Romans 8:7 Ephesians 2:1-3 Titus 3:3