

### **Mission trip to Ukraine**

Jonathon Miller was the speaker at the Treynor Optimist Club meeting on April 5. He recently returned home after a mission trip to the Ukraine. His involvement with Campus Crusaders gave him this opportunity to go to Ukraine and teach English.

Jonathon gave a PowerPoint presentation and showed pictures of the many landmarks and people he worked with. He was in the city of Kiev, then in Donetsk.

When Jonathon was in Donetsk, it was shortly after the riots there. The economy of Ukraine is poor and this is a lot of Government corruption. He noted that the protests at first were winding down, then the pro-Russian President sent in police to disperse the remaining protestors. This caused the protest movement to escalate into a riot.

The main religion is Eastern Orthodox and most of the population considers themselves Christians, even though they never attend church.

One of the slides showed Jonathon and others enjoying a meal and fellowship at a McDonalds restaurant. His trip offered him the opportunity to both teach English to college students and to spread the Gospel to those who wanted to learn more about Christ.