

Letter dated March 15, 1962 from Wasyl Zastowsky (Ivan's son):

My first words are Slava Isysy Chrysty. I have hope that you will answer this letter. You are probably surprised to receive this letter. I have never seen you but only in a photograph. My father told me, "This is your Aunt." I am the son of Ivan, your brother.

I am writing a few words to you. How are you physically. We are healthy. My father has difficulty with his hands and can't cradle a baby. We have tight accomodations, one room. My family is large, 4 children (3 sons and a daughter). Eight people live together which includes my father and mother. The owner of the house wants us to leave because his family is increasing. I am building a house but it is very difficult. I sold a cow and calf but this is not enough. I do not know how I will be able to complete the building of my house. We must find a way. I wrote a letter to Aunt Julia.

How are you? My cousins? Do they know how to speak Ukrainian? Please send my regards to them. I am ending this letter, Dear Aunt, and we are all sending our sincerest regards.

Please write back as soon as possible.

Wasyl Zastowsky, son of Ivan