

RUSSIAN REPORT

February 2008

Greetings to all Christians in America in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

MY FAMILY.

My family is OK. Dasha continues studying the music. She decided to become a singer (earlier she wanted to become a doctor) and she entered the musical school. We encourage her new fascination. In February I am 46. My wife said that I became one year older but I think I became one year wiser!?

WEATHER.

This winter was extremely warm. The temperature was unusually high. There was no snow in the streets.

THE CHURCH IN MOSCOW.

We have new people in the church. Anton is one of them. He is a student. He already visited several churches. He understands things not so quickly as I would like him to. I realize that he needs more time to come to a sound knowledge to be a New Testament Christian.

Our prayer is that he will come to a sound knowledge and understanding of God's truth and then stand firmly in the gospel of his salvation. I pray that he will become a good Christian.

VERONICA AND NATALIA.

Very soon I will finish studying John with two sisters Veronica and Natalia. I plan to start Acts with them because I think it will be very useful for them to know the way Jesus' disciples spread the Word throughout the world. If you remember they are my private bible students. They always visit the church if they are not ill or if they are not on a business trip.

Michael (the security) continues visiting the church but not regularly because of his job. He helps his former wife with money because she brings up their daughter Dasha. And in spite of the divorce which had happened several years ago they have good relationships. Every summer Michael takes his daughter to the seaside and they spend a month together.

Benjamin - As I informed you earlier Benjamin is my private Bible student. As a rule we talk to each other on the phone discussing different Bible topics. Sometimes we meet out or at his place. For a example last time when we met at a cafe I explained to him Luke 16:19-31 "The Rich Man and Lazarus." I tried to persuade him of the importance of hearing the Word of God to be saved. If a man is saved or lost it will depend upon if one can hear the word of God or not. The beggar was saved not because he was beggar but because obeyed the word of God. The rich man was lost dead not because he was rich but because he refused the word of God.

MY PERSONAL ACTIVITIES.

Once a month I continue delivering flyers in the street (I put them on the billboards) then I answer the phone calls and meet with people who showed their interests to my advertising.

LESSONS AND PREACHING.

In February I taught "Unity". It is a very important topic because demanded by the Lord. We see division in the religious world but it contradicts to the Spirit and will of our Lord and destructive to the Church and the souls of men. Christ prayed for unity among His believers, John 17:20-23 "I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me."

We thank each individual Christian for each word of encouragement, every word of prayer, and all the generous gifts of love. We are overwhelmed by it all. God will remember each instance of kindness and support you provided.

With Love and Praise of God,
Natasha, Dasha and Alex