

# Greetings from Moscow

June 2008

## MY FAMILY.

Russian pupils have summer vacation at last. I am sure that the children all over the world look forward to the summer vacations coming. Dasha has finished the school year very well. She also makes a success in playing the piano. Natasha and I are doing well. I have prepared special Bible studies for Dasha because now in summer she doesn't go to school and she has more free time to devote herself to the Word of God.

## WEATHER.

It was too rainy in June and that is why I asked Lonnie to bring sunny days to Moscow from California and he kept his word. When he and Cindy came the weather changed and the sun was shining brightly.

## VISITORS ABROAD.

On the 27th of May in the evening Lonnie and his wife Cindy came from America to help us and encourage the church in Moscow. They stayed at my new but not renovated flat. Unfortunately I couldn't give them proper conditions to stay and they had to sleep on an air mattress which they brought from America and breathed the dust from the unrepaired floor and walls with us. I am sorry that I have not enough money to fulfill my renovation and I apologize to Lonnie and Cindy.

Lonnie brought me a laptop because mine has already gone and he brought two Bibles for Natalia and Veronica with big prints. They were very happy to have such presents. For Dasha, Lonnie and Cindy brought different presents, among gifts there was a brochure of Bible tasks and Dasha did all exercises very quickly and with great interest. Cindy brought "Woman's study Bible" for Natasha. This Bible has a lot of commentaries and articles which describe historical events and many topics interesting for women. Natasha and I like it very much.

We all were very glad to have these wonderful presents and we are very thankful to Lonnie and Cindy for that. On the 30th of May Lonnie and Cindy went to Nizhny and they came back to Moscow on the 3rd of June. During weekdays we had meetings and lessons with new comers and with those who come to the church regularly (Veronica, Gula, Michael, Kate). Also Lonnie and Cindy, Natasha and I often talked about the church, the relationship within the church etc., etc. We came to the conclusion that different people had something in common and at the same time there are a lot of differences (traditions, habits, culture etc) and we should take everything into consideration to spread the Gospel. We spent a lot of time together walking around the Kremlin, talking, cooking etc., and of course we learned more about each other and we lived as one family.

On Saturday the 7th of June Lonnie had a Male Leadership lesson for men and Cindy had a good study for the women which was devoted to the characters a Christian woman must possess. There were 13 people and among them new comers Kate, her father Alex, Nadia, and Michael. Lonnie's lesson was in PowerPoint and I made the Russian version of it.

On Sunday the 8th of June there were 16 people. There were new comers too among them Alex and Paul, they are students. Lonnie's preaching was in PowerPoint and it was vivid and interesting. Recently they have visited Israel and made many pictures connected with life of Jesus Christ. And Lonnie used these pictures while preaching.

On Monday the 9th of June Lonnie and Cindy departed from Moscow. We are very thankful to Lonnie and Cindy for their help. I thank you for your prayers for all of us here. I praise God for His active presence in our lives.

May the Lord bless and keep you,  
Natasha, Dasha and Alex.