

Greetings friends and brethren

April-May, 2008

My family is fine. In May Dasha participated in the concert which took place in the Kremlin. She sings in a choir and her musical school's choir was invited to the concert dedicated to the Victory Day. Dasha with her choir sang the main song which was called "the Victory Day" with a famous Russian singer. The Russian president was at the concert and the concert was shown on TV and we recorded her first performance. Dasha was so excited to be among "the stars." Her favorite singers are Christina Aguilera, Rihanna, and others and she wants to be "a Hollywood star" very soon; Dasha often asks me different questions about the Bible and I am glad to answer her questions. Thanks to regular studying the Bible and to her serious questions I think she will obey the Gospel and will become a good Christian this year.

Usually in April the temperature is about 8-9 degrees Celsius above zero. But this time it was unusually high about 25 degrees and it lasted about 5 days. It was strange because we had no grass and leaves on the trees. But nevertheless we were glad to have warm weather. In May the weather was changeable but not so bad.

Soon Anatoly (the scientist) will return from abroad. He worked abroad about a year and now his contract is going to be over. He wrote me in his letter that he is eager to resume our Bible classes.

In April Leva visited the church regularly but in May he went to his motherland for about 2 months. I hope and pray that everything is OK with him in Armenia and he will return back to Moscow safe and sound (I've heard that in Armenia political situation is not stable).

Nadir is a steady Bible student and from time to time he brings a new person. Unfortunately his friends come to the church seldom because almost all of them came to Moscow from other countries to work and as they usually say to me they have no free time.

Michael (the security) visited the church regularly these two months. But he mentioned that this summer many of his colleagues are going on their vacation and as he is one of the shift bosses he will work extra time as a security (as he explained to me people quit this job because of a modest salary. As you know the prices now went up but salary is almost the same).

Gula as you remember came from Tatarstan and she works at "Domodedovo" airport. She continues to study the Bible. She lives with her sister's family which rent a flat at the other side of Moscow. It takes her about an hour and a half to get to the church and in spite of her busy schedule Gula gets around to coming to the church. I appreciate it greatly.

Lena the translator is seldom here. She works as a doctor at the other side of Moscow and very often she is on duty at the hospital and that is why unfortunately she cannot come to the church regularly.

These months I as usual did a lot of organizational work: put ads and met people.

In April and in May I taught "Scriptural worship". To my mind a corruption of the plan of worship means the destruction of the identity of the Church as the Church of God. I like to quote the following verses Rev. 22:18-19 "If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book". "And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book."

Thanks to our good Father for the fellowship we enjoy in Christ and His work of teaching the world as members of His body.

Serving the Lord Jesus Christ,
Natasha, Dasha and Alex.