



To open their eyes, to turn them from darkness to light ... that they may receive forgiveness of sins... Acts 26:18

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*Prayer Needs*

- God to open the eyes of the Russians here in Narva
- For God to move in the hearts of the electric power plant workers we shared the Christmas story with.
- Medical needs of my family
- Healing for Candice and safe trip as my wife and her travel back to the States

Greetings from the top of the world,

Thanks for your prayers and support in helping us reach the Russians of Narva for Christ. This Christmas we had a unique opportunity to share the Christmas story with the electric power plant workers. A friend of ours teaches English to the men of the power plant at our church facilities. We invited them to a Christmas tea (have to specify tea or else they will bring vodka!). We set the date and they agreed to come. Shortly after that we found out the electric plant had their Christmas party the same day with vodka. We thought for sure they wouldn't come. To our surprise, 22 of the 30 came! We had cookies, tea, gift exchange, and the telling of the Christmas story in Russian using a nativity scene. Then, we had them read the story in simple English and translate it in Russian. Many had never heard the story! At the end, we laid out English and Russian parallel Bible for them to take. I didn't think anyone would, but two men did and They all told us how they enjoyed the "tea"!

Our family has had a roller coaster of a couple of month with health. My wife is doing better but Candice's issues continue to worsen and she is losing her hair. Traumatizing for a 16 year old. Test have ruled out several reasons for her hormone imbalance and the next step is MRI of her adrenal and pituitary glands to check for tumors. She has also being having asthma like symptoms so we went to see what was going on and see if she had developed asthma. The doctor thought it was her heart. The ultrasound showed that her pulmonary artery in her heart is too small causing shortness of breath. So, she now needs to see a cardiologist. Due to the lack of medical facilities and the language barrier my wife and Candice will be going to the St. Louis Children's Hospital in March to see if we can get some answers. Please pray for swift appointments and good doctors. Our furlough is scheduled to begin this summer but we will be bumping it up for medical needs. We would so appreciate your prayers that we will get the right doctors and for God's comfort and healing.

I will be on furlough this next year so if anyone of you would like to have us come and report to you please let us know by email [russia4christ@hotmail.com](mailto:russia4christ@hotmail.com) or our U.S. number 417 501 4051.

For lost Russian souls

*Keith Sampson*