



RPD

Read Pray Delete

Praise God for:

Everything!!

Pray for:

The souls of those who don't know Jesus, the reason for our joy.

Thanks for:

Thanks again for praying. Never stop!

Love to you all

Keep Looking Up

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Proverbs 3:5-6, Psalm 73:28

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Ups and Downs

Last week after letting you know I was alive and well (sorry the rpd was late), I then spent the next two days feeling incredibly unwell. One of my flatmates showed an incredible servant attitude in cleaning up an enormous amount of vomit that went all through the house when I didn't make it to the bathroom in time (enough said about that).

So that was a bit of a downer.

Then Friday afternoon we went to a graduation ceremony for two of our youth group members. They were really stoked that we turned up. Friday night numbers were down but we have a real committed core with whom we are working closely.

So that was a bit of an up.

Saturday morning it was great to be in Kiev again and witness NZ thrash the Poms in another epic dual at Eden Park.

So that was a real up!

Then I was robbed by a couple of rather clever thieves.

That was a real downer.

Saturday evening we had a number of young people over for a sort of dance party with a difference (cause Jono can't dance but can jump around a lot) and the devotion time went really well.

That was an up.

Today I had a couple from church over helping clean up the house and yard before my parents come. My Dad and Mum arrive on Wednesday and I am really looking forward to their visit. It will be a bit of break for me as we take a few days off to visit the historic city of Lviv.

I have also stopped formal language study for the summer. My teacher wanted a break and I wasn't opposed to it. I will restart mid to end of August and hopefully be able to take a fresh approach and make it up the next level.

Language is still one of the biggest difficulties for me, and my live in translator for last 3 months is planning on going back to Latvia in July. So that will create some new challenges.

Devotions on Saturday night were centred around Acts 16 and Paul and Silas' experiences in Philippi. If circumstances were paramount to praising the Lord then Paul and Silas would not have been praising God in jail. But we so often allow our feelings to dictate our walk with God. I am learning that real joy comes from God and is evident within in spite of outward circumstances.



Festival in Kiev



Drama at Convention



Some of the group at a Festival

Whatever your circumstance today, please remember to praise the Lord; for He is Worthy.

Details

Web Site

<http://www.millerfamily.biz/blog/jono.html>

The web site has the story of a Saturday in Kiev.

<http://www.millerfamily.biz/blog/2004/06/one-saturday-in-kiev.html>

Old RPD and Monthly updates are also available there too, so check the main page to see if you have missed any.