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**Praise God for:**

Dad and Mum's visit was a good time

Contact with many kids around Razhishiv

For Samaritan's Purse and everyone in Australia who does the Christmas shoe boxes

The young people in our church who love Jesus

**Pray for:**

Renewed spiritual vitality

Kids club on Wednesdays

Youth to reach their friends with the Good News

Future direction (in many areas)

**Thanks for:**

Thank you again for your part in God's work here. I think of you often and appreciate you all

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**Keep Looking Up**

Proverbs 3:5-6, Psalm 73:28

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Some of the reasons I am here

**Back to it.**

**Kids stuff**

Thursday – Saturday last week were jam packed with activity at a kid's day camp here in Razhishiv. It was hosted by the local Baptist Church and run by a number of young people from here, Kiev, and other places. A number from our church were involved and it was a great time to get to know heaps of the kids from this town. They all received a pack at the end with a publication made by Samaritan's Purse. Please pray for these kids as we see them around the town and run a kids club on Wednesday afternoons. A number of them came to church on Sunday night. Two of the kids who came were Dan's neighbours. Their mother came with a stick and told them to come home and started whacking them with the stick as they were leaving. Dan thinks it's because he didn't loan her husband 20 Grivney. Dan had said to him he doesn't loan money to people who smell of alcohol. His neighbour, Vova, was drunk as a skunk.



**Missionary Doldrums**

The last little while, I have felt rather spiritually flat. I have been feeling like I am going through the motions but have no direction, no purpose or even joy in the work I am doing here.



Last night's sermon was one of those ones that God knew I needed. John 12:24-26 says, "Unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies it produces many seeds. The man who loves his life will lose it, while the man who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honour the one who serves me."



It is so easy to be selfish and self-centred even when seeking to serve God. One of my problems has been trying to work out the future and I get mixed up in what I want and what God wants for me. And as a result I forget to be serving Him with joy right here and now. He has me in this place at this time for His purposes. I must seek first His kingdom and His righteousness and know that all the other things will be taken care of in His time and in His way.

**Youth Group**

We spent the evening at the beach and had a lot of extras join us. We walked back to the ministry centre for a bonfire and had a challenge about the Good News of Jesus setting us free. Are you free or a captive? So many captives are ignorant of the Good News that can set them free. It is our job to share it with them. Read 2 Kings 7:3-9.



**Future**

Having just mentioned that the here and now is important, I also need to make some decisions regarding the future. I would really appreciate your prayers in this regard. After the kids camp I was really impressed with my need to learn the language if I am to be really useful in ministry here. To put a lot of time and money into language study, I really need to know that God wants me to be here for a longer period of time. As you can tell there are many things to think through so please pray for me in this regard.

More news and Details on my Web Site

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

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