



October Monthly Update

Praise God for:

Language study

Accommodation in Kiev

His provisions for my every need

Pray for:

Dan and Pris and family

Toma

A translator for Church

Concentration in language study

Thanks for:

I'll be back in Australia in just over 3 months, how this year has flown by!

Thanks for being a part of it,

Love to you all

Keep Looking Up

Jono Miller

Proverbs 3:5-6, Psalm 73:28

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The Linguistic Trial Begins

Praise God I have now completed 2 weeks of full-on language study. I have a teacher for myself and Cheryl (good student-teacher ratio). We have 2 hours a day from Monday to Thursday and I spend about 3-4 hours a day doing homework and study on those days. I am living in Kiev in a rather old, rundown, and not all that clean apartment. I travel back to Razhishiv on Fridays for the weekend youth activities and church. Language study and Jono don't naturally mix well and I need a lot of prayer and determination in staying focused. I even find it hard to concentrate in the lesson. I get frustrated at my inability to understand everything and must realise that I need to walk before I can run. I did feel better on the weekend when some of the young people said that they thought I had improved already.



Up date on Dan and Pris Gollan

After many trials, they have found a hospital in Australia willing to take Pris. This now means that the embassy in Moscow will Lord willing approve Pris's visa in time for them to leave on the 17th of this month. It has been a test of faith and patience and a lot of hard work for those involved. Please continue to pray. The statistics for Priscilla's condition are that 1 in 10 babies will die and 1 in 100 mothers will die. God is in control!



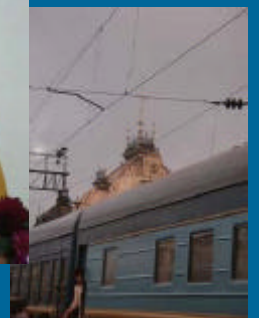
Toma

I saw Toma on the weekend and played football (soccer) with her athletic club. She says she is doing ok, yet seemed guarded around us. Her Mum is still firm about her staying away from anything we run. Please pray for a breakthrough, but also that Toma's faith is strengthened.



Romania

This was a rushed but highly enjoyed trip to visit with friends from PHCS and make some new friends. God's family is all over the world and its amazing how easily one can feel 'at home' away from home. For more details on the trip go to the website and look at last week's RPD and my adventure getting home.





Steak Knives (yes there's more!)

Church Needs

With Dan and Pris returning to Australia, it leaves just Ben and Tamara Clarke, Cheryl, and me as the older leaders of the church. We have awesome trainee leaders in Alisa, Alyosha, Kolya and Natasha. Please pray that this stretching time will also be a time where God gives amazing growth we could only attribute to Him. We also need to find a translator within the next two weeks. We have had a number of new people come along once or twice. Pray that these initial contacts will lead to a lasting relationship with Jesus for these folks.

Book Worm

I read Fyodor Dostoyevsky's "Crime and Punishment" on the train to Romania and home again. It was an amazing book to read and the thoughts it induced have set me thinking a lot about what drives me, what drives us in life. When I've thought some more about it, if I can do it clearly I'll write an article and put it on the website.

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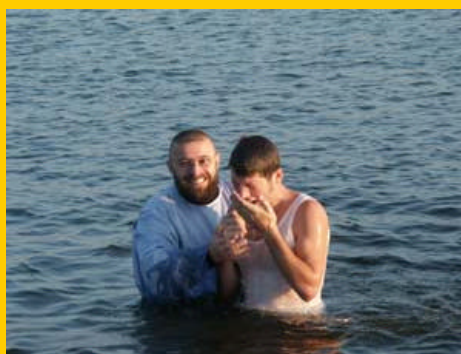
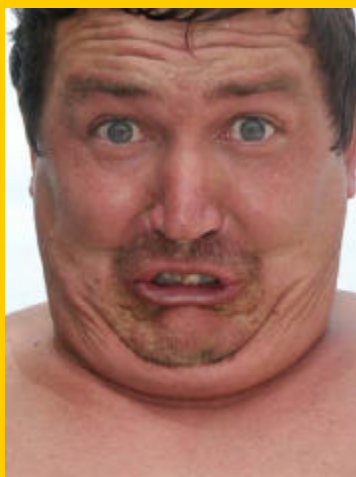
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