

## The Lord Continues to be our Hope and our Rock

"Cast all your anxiety on Him, because he cares for you" (1 Peter 5:7)

## Fire at Nikulino Pirkko Home (Tver Region):



At the end of March we suffered a big loss; this Pirkko Home rehabilitation center burned to the ground - this place where so many souls found liberation from dependencies and salvation in Jesus Christ. By the grace of God, the area damaged by the fire has been

completely cleared. Many church members from Tver and Moscow regions, as well as other brothers and sisters, responded to our call for help. They actively participated in clearing the area and providing food and items of prime



Damaged walls & ceiling in the remaining building

necessity. Repairs are already in progress for the second house damaged in the fire. We are praying for the restoration and rebuilding of this center and for the leadership team who is working there, trying to support them as much as possible. Dear brothers and sisters, your support is needed: prayer support and/or any material support will serve as a great encouragement in this ministry! – Dima Gusev



Publication and Distribution of *The Gospel Behind Barbed Wire:* April has brought another hike in the postal rates for mailing magazines and correspondence in Russia. Chaplain Boris Buhtoyarov of Khabarovsk, who for many, many years has been mailing our magazine to prisons in the Russian Far East region, wrote: "With this letter, I rush to inform you that just today, I completed the work of mailing the first edition of The Gospel Behind Barbed Wire for 2016. Praise the Lord! I barely made it using the old rates. The new costs for mailing correspondence as of April 17 are killing me! But it's all in God's hands."

**RCR Media Outreach:** "Since the end of December 2015, we have added a new format to our "CHOICE" program – video recordings! A big advantage of a video is that each interview or conversation becomes 'alive' and we can see people's emotions. Check out our programs (in Russian) on RCR's website at <a href="https://www.rcr.ru">www.rcr.ru</a> or on social media and don't forget to share it with others." – Auyr Vangilov

**New Church Plant in Solnechnogorsk:** "We're continuing to build a leadership team at our weekly meetings for this new church plant. We discuss topics from the book, <u>9 Marks of a Healthy Church</u> by Mark Dever. We draw blessings from fellowship, prayers, and serving together. Currently we are setting up the heating system, building stairs, and preparing the sanctuary. The Lord, in wondrous ways, brings capable people to help us. At this time, brothers from the rehab center in Kokino are helping us with construction. We're also visiting other churches." – Dima Gusev

## Please pray:

- For the repairs to the remaining Nikulino Pirkko Home building after the devastating fire (to be used for the women's rehab center), and for the remodeling of Igor Markov's home, which they plan to use temporarily for the men's rehab center, until a new center can be built. Pray also for Nikulino's leader, Igor Markov.
- For the acquisition of more video equipment needed to produce RCR programs
- For funding and timely preparation and distribution of *The Gospel Behind Barbed Wire* magazines
- For those who visit prisons with *The Gospel Behind Barbed Wire* visitation is becoming more restrictive
- For the construction work going on at the new church in Solnechnogorsk



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