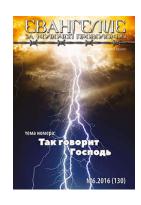


New Year, New Hope & Trust in God

Commit your way to the Lord, trust in him, and he will act. (Ps. 37:5)

As continue our ministry we evangelism in the New Year we are placing all of our hope in God. He's been faithful through many years and is always sending us His blessings, even in difficult situations.

The Gospel Behind Barbed Wire Magazine. We are deeply grateful to God that in 2016, all six issues of the magazine have been printed and distributed to many prisons in Russia, Ukraine, Moldova, Belarus and other countries. Here is one of many responses we have received: Leonid Sokolov of Kirov region, Russia wrote: "Peace to you. I am serving a long sentence behind bars. Before, I was always reading your magazine which I always borrowed or received from other fellow believers. However, now I am in a different area and no longer have access to your magazine. I really want to read it regularly. Praise God I wrote down your address and now it became very handy. Please send me your magazine, The Gospel Behind Barbed Wire. I really need it. I am grateful and praying for you."





Pirkko Homes ministry. This story is from Aleksey Dudikin, leader of the rehabilitation center in Zheleznogorsk, (2nd from right): "The ministry of rehabilitation is often difficult and monotonous. We are trying to plan more opportunities for fellowship for the guys where they have a chance to meet other people and be

edified spiritually. In the summer we often take trips to be out in nature with the guys. In the winter we hold our annual seminars. One of these seminars was held on December 3 in our church. Over 70 brothers gathered from various rehabilitation centers in Lgov, Rylsk, Orel and Kokino. We had a wonderful time. Our seminar was divided into 4 parts and addressed the following topics: 'Family' (that topic is very pertinent for men); the second topic was 'Knowing God;' then we addressed the topic of 'Life in a Local Church Post-Rehab.' We concluded with the topic, 'How to Stand Up after Falling.' The main text for this last topic was Hosea 14:4: I will heal their waywardness and love them freely, for My

anger has turned away from them. I am excited to tell you that on that day

12 people accepted Christ and repented of their sins! Praise God!"



Radio and Video Ministry. Ayur Vanzhilov reports: "I am grateful to God for the opportunity to attend an intensive training course on the program Final Cut Pro X. As a result of this we are planning to edit 52 "Choice" video programs! Thank you for your prayers."

Please pray:

- for the successful completion of remodeling of the men's building in Nikulino. Praise God that the furnace has been installed, and they just need to finish a restroom and the upper floor rooms;
- for the expansion of ministry staff for the Pirkko Home rehabilitation centers;
- many of our Pirkko Homes are in need of transportation;
- for the upcoming issue of The Gospel Behind Barbed Wire (the first issue of 2017), the topic is "Thou Shalt Not Have Other Gods;"
- for the preparation of new RCR radio and video programs;
- for the health and well-being of all our staff and ministers at Pirkko Homes during the winter season.

