# Recovery and Resurrection

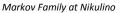
"To console those who mourn in Zion, To give them beauty for ashes, The oil of joy for mourning, The garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness... " (Isaiah 61:3)

One year ago, on the night of March 30, 2016, a fire broke out in one of the Pirkko Home buildings in Nikulino (Tver region). We continue to thank God for His mercy to us - even though the building burned to the ground, no one was hurt. Last June, after many repairs to the surviving building at Nikulino (now used for the women), the residents were able to return. The rest of the donations for fire recovery have been used to remodel & repair a nearby house to be used for the "new" men's Pirkko Home, and it is almost finished! We sincerely thank everyone who responded to our call for help, by providing for immediate needs, giving donations, and continuing to pray for us.



The Men's Pirkko Home is almost done.







### Pirkko Home Rehab Center Ministry

Igor and Marina Markov, ministers at Nikulino Pirkko Home recently sent an update: "Brothers & Sisters, thank you for your prayers and help with our ministry. We now have 10 men and 4 women going through rehabilitation. The guys are engaged in the construction work at the 'new' men's Pirkko Home. We have a small farm (with cows, chickens, & dairy goats). We manage to sell milk sometimes, which provides small, but very necessary funds for us. Our program for "Moms with Children" has started again in our center! The local guardianship agency asked us to accept a woman with two girls

(ages 10 and 3). This mother is very grateful that her children were not taken away from her, and she was given another chance. She has been with us for two months already and we pray that the Lord will enter her heart and remove all her doubts.

On March 4, Tamara was married; she had gone through rehab with us earlier with her daughter Karalina, and then helped the ministry here for a year. God blessed her, her husband, and her daughter Karalina with a full-fledged family!



We ask you to pray for our guys and girls, so that they turn to God, and also for us, the ministers. In the women's ministry, there is no helper, and it's not easy for Marina to do the ministry alone. We also pray intensely that the Lord will open the hearts of people, so that we are invited to work part-time to cover our daily needs."

#### The Gospel Behind Barbed Wire Christian Magazine Ministry

We constantly receive new subscriptions from Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova, etc. The circulation of the magazine has increased this year by 500 copies, to 7,500! We really need another new employee in our mailing department (and additional funds to cover this salary of \$220/month). Please pray that we can cope with the increasing work load.

In the February Frontline, we asked you to pray for help with the cost of transportation to get spiritual literature from the RCR office to Novosibirsk for evangelism work in prisons. The Lord answered and sent the necessary finances. On February 22, we sent boxes of literature to the Republic of Komi, Novosibirsk, Khabarovsk and Vladivostok. All literature was received in early March. Praise God! Thank you for your prayers!

## **RCR Recording Studio Ministry**

We have an urgent need for creating a workplace for video editing and for acquiring another computer (\$2,000).

Moscow Office - We also have a great joy! Two days ago we received a response to our prayers- the city fire department reduced the Moscow office fine to \$1500. This is almost 7 times less than the maximum fine. Of course, we still have requirements left to work on and problems to fix, as noted in their report.

#### Please also pray for these things:

- for the completion of the remodeling & repairs in the Nikulino Pirkko Home for men, so they can start using it;
- for a woman to lead and minister at the Dvatkovo Pirkko Home for women and an assistant to help Marina Markova minister at the Nikulino Pirkko Home for women:
- for the repair of the van at the Lgov Pirkko Home;
- for people in rehabs aged 50-60, who do not have a family and don't know where to go next.

††† We wish you a Blessed Easter!



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