

MTR International

January Monthly Update



Fun in the snow at Mogilev.

News from Mogilev, Belarus

Praise God for His mercy and grace! A few years ago we met a young man named Sergey who was involved in the occult. He recently made a decision for Christ and was baptized!

In December, the church held a special weekend for graduates from the orphanage where we minister regularly. We talked to them about the meaning of Christmas.

For the new year, the church leadership team renewed the vision of the Church, examined the past year of ministry and made plans for 2019. This is a fruitful and blessed time for all of us.

Tariel and Lena Kvarazheli
 Mogilev Church Plant



Vour special Christmas gilt will help provide ministry vehicles for church planters.

There is still time for you to give toward helping church planters obtain much needed vehicles for ministry. You can go to www.mtrinternational. org to give online or mail your check. Be sure to designate your gift to Love in Motion in the check's memo or the "add special instructions" section for online giving.



Join us for this year's My Way Camp Service Trip led by Dan Stoll on July 8 through July 22. The group will see Moscow, Worship at Kostroma Chrisitan Church, and serve one week at the Christian My Way Camp with youth from Kostroma and other churches. Please contact Maria Roth at 636-541-3788 or email mariaroth@mission2russia. org.

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Happy New Year!

Our Mission

TO MULTIPLY CHURCHES IN RUSSIAN-SPEAKING NATIONS

News from the Field Director



Praise God, we're in Nizhny! Last month was a huge stress with all the packing, moving, unpacking and everything in between. But at the same time it was a huge relief, as God completely took care of us and provided for us at every step of the way. We were blessed to celebrate the New Year and Christmas in our new apartment surrounded by friends and family. I don't remember when we have had so many guests in our home. Even some of our friends from Kostroma (the Zhurin family) came to visit us.



Through the end of January, we'll take time to adjust to our new surroundings. Please pray for the placement of our children and God's guidance in regard to Ksusha's employment.

Thank you for keeping us in your thoughts and prayers during this time of transition. We're in awe, awaiting new adventures that He's about to bring into our lives.

> - Sasha Lukmanov, Field Director Nizhny Novgorod Church Plant

News from Gomel, Belarus

During the Christmas holiday, we visited two family-type orphanages with one house for 8 children and another with 10. We performed

a small production with costumes. and gave gifts for each child, as well as for the household.

We're currently putting together an outrech team to develop a missionary service plan and involve other members in various projects and activities.



Aleksandr, a member of our church we mentioned in November, was recently a guest preacher for church (pictured below). We have been joining him in his weekly ministry at the rehabilitation center near Gomel where he talks with the men and conducts a Bible study. I attended this rehab center and shared my testimony with substance dependent men this past week.

We plan to visit a nursing home soon that is located 50 km away from



We pray for every person the Lord brings to us, and we hope He will do His work in their hearts.

> - Igor Tsirulnikov Gomel Church Plant

Directed Prayer

Pray for the church in Mogilev, Belarus and its minster Tariel.

Pray for the leadership team as they make decisions toward the new year of ministry.

Pray for the church in Gomel, Belarus and its minsters Igor and Uriy.

Igor's son Ilya is in search of work.

Pray for the church being planted in Nizhny Novgorod and its minister Sasha, the field director.

- Praise for God's provision during the move.
- Pray for God's guidance in regard to Ksusha's employment and placement of the children.