



Mission Messenger



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Our summer mission trip began with 300 kids at Camp Horizon for a week. About 70 of these kids were orphans from #10 and #27. We had wanted to see kids from orphanages visited last winter, and found that most were at the Black Sea. A very long way from St. Petersburg. We were happy to spend time with the kids we know from #27 and to renew friendships with the kids from #10 that we got to know last summer at this camp. We had a great time with the staff and kids. Our team had 4 American teens, 3 adults and 3 young Russians. It was good to have so many young people at the camp. They had lots of energy to keep up with all that was going on.



This was our dacha for the week at camp. It was great and offered all the comforts of home, including indoor plumbing. It even had an indoor pool. It was empty, but none the less, it did have an indoor pool. It was very cozy with 10 people, however, we were not there for relaxation, but to be with the kids.

Joel was the man at camp. He brought a 3 man sling shot that the kids fired bean bags from. They had a great time with it and always had a large group of kids waiting to catch a beanbag so they could then “fire” it to the waiting crowd.

What fun they had.



Joel was just full of great surprises and fun.

Here is a climbing rope that he made and brought. Kids were lined up to climb up inside it and get a glimpse of the scenery. Even the team took turns climbing. It was great fun and I know that first hand, because I climbed it right along with all the kids. Joel gave it to MIR for Camp Elama, so it will have a permanent home and I hope to have the opportunity to climb it again sometime.

As you can see, we had great fun outdoors, but it did rain a few of the days we were there and then we played games, did crafts, took pictures of all the kids and printed them out so they could make frames from greeting cards and construction paper. We worked puzzles, blew bubbles, and painted faces, hands, arms, and legs.

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Our team was very well received by the staff and we were asked to return again next year. We look forward to returned and building more of those friendships. As you can see, we really had a great time. For more pictures of the trip, and especially the camp, check out the photo album on our website at www.lifelinemissions.org.



Now it's time to shift gears and go back to the city. We spent a lot of time traveling to get from place to place to visit the kids we have known for so many years, but it is important to assure them that we love them and so does God. We were able to visit Peterhof 2 and Peterhof adult facility 3. We also were able to visit our friends from orphanages for disabled kids who have now moved on to adult facilities #7 & #10. They were so pleased to see us and we had a great time everywhere we went.

It was great to visit the Reflections of Hope and Road of Life transitional homes. It is always a great time of fellowship with those who are working with the orphan grads. We certainly do encourage each other in the work God has called each of us to do.

I was very saddened to not be able to visit at Pavlovsk where I know so many of the children. We were scheduled to go there for 2 days, but when we called the day before to remind them, we were told we couldn't come. We were first told that the kids were having exams, then we were told that there is too much sickness in American and then that MIR had already sent too many visitors in June. Finally we were told that we needed to have medical tests to visit the kids. We are working to resolve this situation for our teams and others who have visited there in the past. Please pray with us that God will again open this door.

LifeLine Missions will be taking a team to Russia approximately January 19, 2010 to minister in orphanages. Would you like to be a part of that team? Check out the website for more information or call Karen at 330-824-2639. Please remember that it will be necessary to have all paperwork in to our office no later than November 15, 2009 for the January trip.



If you would like to be a part of this ministry, you may:

Pray for it

Give to it

Go with it

Please pray that God will continue to open doors so we can continue sharing His love with these children.

Your tax deductible donations are needed to help cover the costs of these trips and to provide needed supplies for the kids..

Volunteers are needed to visit the children. More orphanages are requesting visits and assistance each time we go.

Please contact Karen or check the website if you are interested in helping.

...to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction....

James 1:27