# THE SKEAN FAMILY

SEPTEMBER 2016



Miles Traveled 47,536



Monthly Support Green shows our actual current support.



**Russia Fact** The average life expectancy for men living in Russia is 59 years old.

### **Praises**

- We have been able to be in two missions conferences and also had good meetings with churches this month.
- Our family is expecting the appearance of its newest little member in five more months! (Yes, that's a pregnancy announcement. Praise the Lord!)

#### **Prayer Requests**

- For independent Baptist missionaries in Russia.
- For the salvation of Russian's leaders and peace in Ukraine.

## **Third-Quarter**

Can you believe that September is already over? I thought this year started yesterday... Looking back, we can truly say that we have been blessed *beyond what we deserve*. From the many opportunities to witness, to our trip in July and August to Ukraine, to finding out that *we are expecting Baby #2*, we are amazed at what the Lord has done. It is a blessing being able to meet so many dear saints of God while on deputation, and to have over 780 people read our prayer letter and also over 560 people following our Grace2Russia page on Facebook! Praise God for gathering around us a committed support base and giving us the opportunity to reach people with the Gospel.

We don't normally share big financial needs, but would you pray that God would provide us a vehicle that we can finish deputation with and then ship overseas to Ukraine? Our family is growing and our current car has over 200,000 miles on it, with coolant leaking into the engine. It is only a matter of time before it permanently seizes up. We just ask that you pray with us so that we can watch God supply. I need wisdom, patience, and faith as we wait for the Lord to equip us with a vehicle so that we can make it to the meetings we have scheduled.

One of our interesting memories from this month was witnessing to two Amish kids. They were siblings and happened to be the children of the area bishop. The importance of placing faith on Christ's finished work was stressed and the realization of what might happen to them came over their faces. To believe upon Christ in faith would mean that they would be shunned and rejected by their family. I thought to myself, "They will face more clearly and pronounced what all true Christians face when we choose Christ too." May we follow the Lord - realizing the cost Jesus paid was greater than we will ever have to pay being a Christian.

## **Scenes from September**



The opportunity became available to spend a couple of days witnessing to multiple people at a fair booth in Ohio. Jonathan was able to share the Gospel and see one young man trust Christ as Saviour!



We love to share the burden we have with the next generation, hoping that someday God will call them to ministry overseas. Here we are at New Beginnings Baptist Church in Kennedy, NY.



Until this month, we hadn't been to Tennessee for deputation, but God blessed with a new supporting church! Katrina always does a good job answering questions and encouraging people to sign up for our prayer letter.



While in Rome, New York, Katrina was asked to share her testimony with Friendship Baptist Church. Each missions conference is a blessing as God brings more friends into our path.



It's a small world after all! Brother Glasenapp, whom Jonathan last saw about 14 years ago in Washington State, came to see us at the missions conference. He doesn't look a bit older!



Can you believe it? Well, we didn't know it, but our car was planning to retire shortly after hitting this goal. Paying the cost to make the necessary repairs just would not be very good stewardship on our part. Pray please!

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