



Our Supernatural September

At the end of the paperwork process for the university, I received my diploma for completing my course in the Preparatory Department. To finally have all of that bureaucratic process completed and having classes now started is a huge blessing.



This book I discovered in Lvov is entitled, "The Ukrainian Pantheon." As you know, a pantheon is the collective of false gods or idols of a particular religion. For decades, Baptists have said that there should not be "icons" or graven images of the Russian Orthodox "saints." Perhaps, this title is an honest admission of what they really believe?



Being at the university puts me close to the city center where there are countless people walking by. Thankfully, some are receptive enough to take a Gospel tract. We pray that they will be responsive to the truth.



Talk about miraculous, I didn't even nod off during my 2,200km (1,367mi). For those of you who know what having narcolepsy is like, you have an idea of how badly I needed your prayers for this trip, since I was driving by myself. Yet, despite all of the dangers of driving in Ukraine, there wasn't even the slightest of problems. Even the border crossings were without issue! This is nothing short of being a direct result of your prayers. Never before have I stayed awake for 25 hours and only after 4 hours of sleep, driven 12 hours more.

Katrina and Cherith will be in Estonia for the next week to obtain Katrina's spousal visa. They have the blessing of meeting the Smith family who serve in Tallin, the capital. We are thankful for their hospitality and allowing her to play the piano during the services.



Update from Ukraine

Praise the Lord for God's goodness. You would not believe how greatly He worked this month through all kinds of crazy situations! First off, God allowed me to obtain my passport and posvidka before any of the other students. I guess prayer is powerful than bribery? Of course. The day after I received my stamp, I had to make the long drive to Poland and back. God was in every detail and He allowed me to make friends with a customer service rep at the auto service center as well as a friend at the Drug/weapons/contraband/-and-oh-vehicles Department. [Yes, sitting in that office is a piece of the story.] The whole situation played out like a blockbuster action movie in which the entire goal of the protagonist could have been dashed to pieces at countless junctures, but supernaturally eminent destruction is avoided and the seemingly impossible is accomplished. I'm telling you, life on the mission field can be exhilarating! [And faith-building too.] We are so thankful to those of you who have evidently been faithful to pray for us!

This year, I am studying in two different groups. In one group are students from China, Vietnam, and Turkmenistan, while in the other they are all Ukrainians. So much to write, but so little space! Til next month! God bless.

Prayer Requests

- For Katrina's visa
- For Russia's religious freedom
- For the ministry here in Kharkov
- For language learning

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Kharkov Threat Level

Risk of invasion or terrorist attack

Russia Fact

Schools teach that there are only 6 continents, including "Eurasia."



Upcoming Events

Katrina's Visa Trip
28Sep-06Oct

Vivian's Birthday
28Oct

Month's Messages

Google+, Facebook (6), YouTube, WordPress, Email, Twitter