



## Speaking of September

Joy bells are ringing! Here is a very joyful Denise who received Christ as Saviour this month! Denise and his girlfriend are both deaf, but now both are saved! What a way to start off the month of September.



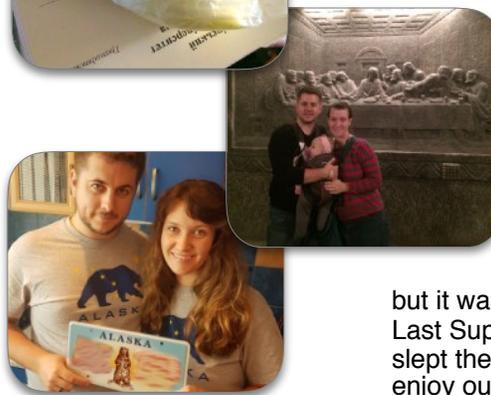
We have to tell you about our trip to Odessa for the van. Missionary Mark Priem and Brother Sasha were an incredible blessing and God gave traveling mercies during the 580+ miles back - Jonathan's first time driving in Ukraine.

But God also blessed with a very insightful train passenger who spoke English and invited us to Belgorod, Russia! Would you know that Jonathan's was the last train ticket left to purchase of that type? God surely is the Master Orchestrator of everything!

Here in Ukraine, it's imperative that you buy clean gloves and syringes for the medical exams required by the university. There are so many things we could say about that experience... And it was all *that* - an *experience*.



During September, we wore what we had to thank our supporting churches. We wish we had a shirt from *your* church or state too. (Please, no NFL jerseys.) [Why is this license plate not on our van? Because someone stole the other one!] Still we are very thankful to be here.



After accomplishing, by God's grace, our objective (obtaining our visas) in Poland, Katrina suggested that we try visiting the Wieliczka Salt Mine. We traversed stairs containing 800 steps, walking 3.5 kilometers under 443 feet of rock salt and dirt. It wasn't exactly relaxing...

but it was enjoyable! [And yes, that's the Last Supper carved out of salt.] Cherith slept the whole time, giving us a chance to enjoy our 3-hour, walking adventure.

### Praises

- For 2 new supporting churches.
- We now have our visas.
- Denise got saved!

### Prayer Requests

- For all those affected by the fires, earthquakes, hurricanes, and floods in the United States. (many of our wonderful supporting churches are in those areas.)
- For the salvation of Russian leaders and for the safety of missionaries serving there.
- For the safety of a 10-year old girl who is still missing.
- For our residency permits.

### The Next Steps

If we had to describe September in one word, it would be: bureaucracy. Every step to enter the university, every process to retrieve our van from the Port of Odessa, and every document required to fly to Poland and obtain our visas. Now with visas in hand, we will apply for our residency. (I write this partly to help my friends who will be navigating the same route like us.) After that, we will pray for our tax ID number application to be processed quickly so that we can open a bank account and have the convenience of accessing our money here when needed. (For two months, we have been making ATM withdraws.) We are excited for classes starting soon and that I will begin my formal education in Ukraine, studying the Russian language.

Jonathan  
Denise  
&  
Family

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#### Kharkov

#### Threat Level

Risk of invasion or terrorist attack



#### Slavic Fact

Historians claim many of the Russian Orthodox holidays are a continuation of Slavic paganism.



#### Upcoming Events

Vivian's Birthday  
Oct. 28th

#### Social Media Updates

