

Dispatch One

Mahon: Russia Dispatch #1 - 02.01.07 Departing for Russia

Picture 001 1a.m. and still packing. In Africa they like boxes assuming personal items come in suitcases, in Russia they like suitcases, assuming items for resale come in boxes. Eleanor as usual is committed to taking the maximum amount, weighing, sorting, weighing and then taking her own items out to make more room for missionaries.

Picture 002 My job - lifting, weighing and then carrying them back to El. We bought a very accurate "doctors scale" and must get each item in at 68lbs. Once again Eleanor worked her wonder on the bags.

Picture 003 God granted grace and now we are able to wait for our plane. By now the baggage men and BA officials know us. I am known as "The Rev" or "The Missionary" and we were able to share a word of testimony and blessing as we checked in.

Prayer Requests: Please claim...

Joe, my Sunday School teacher pressed home to us the imperative of appealing to the sovereign God. Ask God to grant us favor as He did Daniel... Daniel 1:9 "Now God granted Daniel favor and compassion in the sight of the commander of the officials,"

All decisions from government are in the hands of God. Pray that the customs officials would deal with us favorably.

Proverbs 21:1 "The king's heart is like channels of water in the hand of the LORD; He turns it wherever He wishes."

God has called and sent us out, you are praying, the Lord is sovereign. Ask God to give us peace as we minister by the grace of God and the effectual prayers of you our prayer warriors.

Psalm 4:8 "In peace I will both lie down and sleep, for Thou alone, O LORD, dost make me to dwell in safety."

Dear Prayer Warriors,

We are not in at the airport preparing to board.

I wanted to get off this prayer dispatch to you to call upon you to be in prayer for us during the next 24 hours.

God greatly blessed and we are bringing over \$2,000.00 in educational, electronic and medical supplies to the pastors, missionaries and national staff in St. Petersburg and Tuymen.

We are asking you for another miracle.

You shut down the BA strike.
Now we are asking that you go before us and allow all the items we are bringing to Russia to pass through baggage and customs unmolested. This will take a true miracle. Then we are asking that you grant us favor in the eyes of the customs officials and that no duty would be charged. This will also be a miracle.
But you are a miracle working team so we lay this request before you.

By His mercy,
II Corinthians 4:1
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Departing for Russia
Today's temp in St. Petersburg 10F and snowing



Picture One



Picture Two



Picture Three