

Dispatch Three

Mahon: Russian Prayer Dispatch #3 - 02.10.07 Departing for Siberia or "Didn't we just do this...?"

Dear Prayer Warriors,
Just a quick note before we depart for Siberia.
Our ride should be here any minute and I wanted to get this off to you before we leave.
My thoughts as I write this to you...
Didn't we just do this...?
Saturday night arrive
Sunday Preach
Monday through Friday Teach
Saturday Pack
Sunday arrive and preach
Monday through Friday Teach
Saturday Pack
Sunday arrive and Preach.
Monday through Friday teach - (well, you get the picture)

The attached pictures show

- 1_ Eleanor Packing to leave. She is getting good at this and is a real trooper.
- 2_ GCI East - that's me working on my messages this afternoon.
- 3_ Seminary student with an exciting story - the closest young man to you is Jenya, Ravil's best friend. He has resigned his engineering position to join Ravil in the ministry. They are best friends. Now married with a little girl he desires to join in reaching Russia for the Lord.
- 4_ Seminary student with an exciting story - the gentleman closest to you with the mustache is an Afghani Christian. He is studying for the ministry and a bounty has been put on his head by the mullah's for converting. Further back in the sweater is a former Captain in the Air force and MIG pilot who is now pasturing a small church as he studies for the ministry.

As you can imagine I feel a real sense of burden and responsibility for these men as I minister the Word of God to them.

Please pray for...

1. Safety: We fly Aeroflot for six hours over Siberia to get to Tuymen
2. The empowerment of God's Word - this is our confidence, the power of the Word of God to change men's lives.
3. That we would be preserved from any form of intimidation - several new laws have been enacted regulating foreigners, each in contradiction to the other so that anyone can be picked up. To obey one law is to disobey another.
4. Our health - Russia is like one big outpatient clinic. Unhealthy water, unhealthy air, unhealthy, well the list goes on. We like

everyone else have the sniffles so pray for our poor little noses.
5. As you pray for us please claim II Thessalonians 3:1-3

1 Finally, brethren, pray for us that the word of the Lord may spread rapidly and be glorified, just as it did also with you;
2 and that we may be delivered from perverse and evil men; for not all have faith.
3 But the Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen and protect you from the evil one.

We do not know what the situation will be like in Siberia so you may not hear from us for a week or so.

We minister by the Grace of God And The empowering prayers of you our prayer warriors.

By His mercy,
II Corinthians 4:1
Rev. John S. Mahon
Grace Community Int.
St. Petersburg, departing for Siberia
-18F and clear skies



Picture One



Picture Two



Picture Three



Picture Four