

God demonstrated His mercy to the orphans in the middle of the rain and thunderstorm!

At the end of July God blessed our interchurch team of the "Alone No More" ministry to have the canoe trip with the orphan teens from Kursk Orphanage #2. 23 orphans and 7 tutor-guides went down one of vthe most beautiful Kursk region rivers, the Svapa River.

Notwithstanding the fact that the weather forecast was not very positive, with prayers and desire to



minister to the orphans, we went there by 10 canoes. Our goal was to have some fellowship with the orphans, to share with them about the love of God the Father and about salvation given by Him through His Son Jesus Christ. In the daytime being in the canoes and also in the evenings we were singing Christian hymns, talked a lot, testified and worked together. The teens learnt how to cook, how to install tents and how to strike the camp and how to assemble the boats. The team and the teens will keep

those wonderful blessed days

in their memory for a long time!

The orphan teens who went with us this years were younger than the orphans from the previous trips. But it didn't prevent them from being very active in everything we they were doing. The most complicated problem was their swearing and calling names: they were constantly "presenting" one another with it. We were praying for this; we explained to them how important the purity of their speech was. And there was a miracle: by the last days of the trip their behavior changed! If a child knows that he is loved; if a child sees sincerity in the eyes of his tutors he will surely change for the better!



Dasha Shatohina came to the orphanage not long ago. Her parents were deprived of their rights. She was under a very hard stress; she was very sad and closed. On the third day of the trip she began smiling; she started participating in different events and was the best in the kitchen and other camp works.







Albina Komiagina and Sasha Tsyikova were at such trip for the first time, but they were very attentive when the Gospel was being preached to them. They liked to be sitting near the camp fire till late at night listening to the Bible stories about Abraham, about god's people and about the life of Jesus Christ.

Alexey Dubakov had already been to such a trip and to the Christian camp a year before. This summer he was a model of good behavior and assistance.

Actually all of them dream of getting to the summer Christian evangelical camp and I have a very deep hope that the continuation of our fellowship will bring some spiritual fruit to the life on these kids.

One more thing: God worked wonders to us! During our trip it was raining heavily in the whole Kursk region but all our days were sunny! It was raining only when we were in the buses coming back to Kursk. Praise the Lord for all His miracles!





May God bless you! In Him,

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