



*At the moment when the Russian authorities were busy thinking over the issue if this really long Christmas vacation is necessary a team of young volunteers, devoted to Christ, spent this vacation with 122 orphans from the Ivanovsky Orphanage. The volunteers were from 6 Kursk churches.*

By God's mercy the camp "Golf Stream" took place. We had an opportunity to live close to



these children; we could have a very active fellowship with them; we could play with them and share the Gospel with them – with those for whom the vacation time is usually a time of loneliness. Only 14 children out of the 136 orphans went to their relatives for the holidays. Nobody was missing the rest ones... So they had been looking forward to seeing our team



since summer. During 5 camp days 18 Christian tutors were working with the orphans inspiring them in their spiritual search.

At the camp Biblical lessons we discussed such topics as the Depth of God's love, Responsibility and Self-respect, Salvation through Christ and How to Resist Temptations. Even the senior groups took an active part in

Biblical competitions and quizzes.

This school year the number of juniors has grown. We met them with joy as well as they met us. Our fellowship was very fruitful for both the sides. We managed to give several gifts to



each kid, and the most important gift was the Bible for children; they promised to read it constantly!

We had some circles in the camp, such as





beads crafts, photo crafts, cooking, trampoline jumping and shooting-range. For the seniors we had a driving circle where our military jeep was used: to drive through mud is the strongest dream of any orphan boy! ☺

We are very grateful to all who were praying for us and supporting us all this time! Such camps make spiritually richer not only orphans but also the Christians who devote their life to this ministry!



Before Christmas we got an amazing gift from the Lord: we got an opportunity to have “The School of Life Pilotage” in the Ivanovsky Orphanage.



“The School of Life Pilotage” is a special course that prepares the orphanage graduates for independent life. The course is based on Christian doctrines. The inquiry made in November showed that 38 seniors have a desire to study it. But we are going to work with 19 of them only (the ones who are going to graduate this year). The fellowship at these lessons is a kind of discussion. We discuss some topics and here below there are some of them: “A Person the Way God Understands it”, “My

Attitude towards Myself and the People around me”, “Goals and Values”, “Motivation for the Development”, “Honest Earnings and the Budget”, “The Relationship between Male and Female and what Real Love is”.



We have very rich experience in this area having been working with the Kursk orphanage graduates for several years. We have our studies twice a week. The number of the students who would like to attend them never slows down. The course is for seniors but some students of the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grades are already “in a line” looking forward to getting there! For us it’s God’s blessing!



We keep having our Christmas visitation. The goal is to reach for every orphan to tell him/her about God’s love and to give him/her a Christmas gift and the Bible.



We have already managed to visit the orphanages in the following places: Peny, Mokva, Ivanovo and Lachinovo. Children are children, no matter where! And as any children they were very much excited about the gifts! We are happy that the Lord sends us enough money for these gifts and trips, for the games and the spiritual books! This time is not the easiest for the team: we have to drive more than a thousand kilometers spending

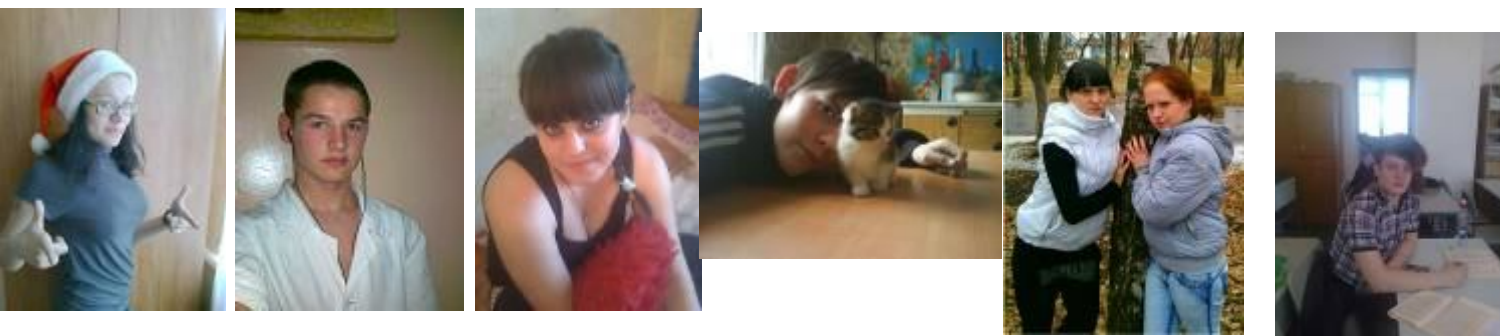


far from us. From the bottom and to those who understand this ministry and sacrifices



nearly all day long in a van as some orphanages are located very of my heart I am grateful to them the importance of the support of for it! Praise God!

We are working with the orphanages graduates who studied the “The School of Life Pilotage” course with us. The motto of this work is “We don’t leave ours alone!” The life in the world is not a piece of cake and is often very hard so most of them need some legal and household help. Our goal is to help them keep their positive attitude towards life, not to let them come down in the world under the negative influence of some of their ex-classmates, to help them save their belongings from different swindlers and bandits. This work is very complicated and mundane. We are in touch via the internet, the phone calls and also face-to-face contact. Sometimes we have talks till midnight and even later. Unstable psychology is typical of orphans and that’s why it often happens that they have a strong wish either to drink some alcohol or to commit a suicide. Our phone becomes the 911 service and helps them not to it.



The orphanage graduates centre “Kursk Landing Stage” works fruitfully. There are three young girls living there and two of them have already accepted Christ as their



Lord and Savior and were baptized! The centre for the boys will soon start its work. We have already got the necessary equipment and furniture; many works have been done there, the only things that are left are some remodeling works in the restroom and in the shower cabin. Please pray for this project!



*So life is going on! As well as our ministry to the Lord! Thanks a lot for your prayers and for your support, for your trust in our team and for your ministry dealing with the great goal of salvation of people’s souls! I believe that in 2012 the Lord will give us the joy of seeing the fruit for His Kingdom and be inspired with the Holy Spirit! Thanks a lot for your support! You are God’s blessing both for us and for more than 5,000 Kursk orphans!*

*“And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed” (2Cor. 9:8).*

*Sincerely,  
The Christian Ministry “Alone No More” leader  
Ilya Fadeev.*

