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## Missionary to the Former Soviet Union

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Let me begin by saying "Thank you again for your prayers." James 5:16b "The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." God has heard your prayers.

On January 12, 2009, I was traveling back from a preaching engagement in Saratov, a city which is eight hours drive away. I was about four hours into my trip when I turned onto a new road to bypass another city. I soon discovered the road was not finished. I was about five miles from the last signs of civilization; unfortunately, the roads are poorly marked in Russia. There was no sign that said the road was closed until I came to a roadblock. I turned my car around and headed back in the direction from which I had come. As soon as I had turned around, the timing belt broke on my car. I was not in a good situation. Even though it was sunny, the temperature was still around 0° F. To walk the five miles to the next houses would not be very warm or safe and roadside service does not exist in Russia. What to do? I started praying and told God that I had gotten myself into a bad situation and asked for help. As soon as I lifted my head and opened my eyes, I noticed a small truck coming from the direction of the roadblock. I flagged him down and asked him if he could give me a tow to the next village to get my car fixed. He was kind enough to tow my car to a mechanic's shop and even refused the money that I offered for his trouble. I was able to get my car fixed and was back on the road in a few hours. I do not know where this truck came from, but I do know that I was in trouble and when I asked God for help, He sent this truck. God truly took care of me, and I will always praise and thank Him for His care over me.

In previous letters I have asked for prayer for a man by the name of Vladimir. About six months ago, his wife separated from him, took their son, and moved back to Siberia where she is from. I asked many of you to pray for him at that time. A week ago his wife returned to him to work on repairing their marriage. This is another example of answered prayer.

While in Russia these past few months, I was able to witness to people on a daily basis. A man by the name of Anatoly came by almost every day to study the Bible. He is not saved but has a desire to know more about the Word of God. I had several new visitors come to my services on Monday and Friday nights.

It is once again time for me to renew my visa for Russia. Because of this, I have made a short trip back to the U.S. I have sent my paperwork to the embassy and will find out in a few weeks if they will issue to me a long-term visa. Please pray for this process. It is difficult for me to go back and forth between countries under the old rules, and it would be a great blessing to have a long-term visa.

Thank you for your continued support. Please continue to pray for the work in Russia.  
Because of Him,

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