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Monthly Prayer Letter
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The Importance of Spiritual Nourishment in the Ministry of RCR

"... Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God" (Matt. 4:4)

Summer is nearly over, and a lot of work has been done. As you know, much has been accomplished at the Pirkko Home rehabilitation centers in Nikulino after the fire... and at the rest of the Pirkko Homes as well. Much effort has also been made toward finishing the church building in Solnechnogorsk. God has sent people to record testimonies for the program, "Choice," even though it's usually not so easy to find people in the summer. Even *The Gospel Behind Barbed Wire* magazine (№4, 2016) is already printed and is being distributed, and we have started on the next issue of the magazine, with the topic of "Pain." Pray that the Lord will give wisdom in the selection of materials for this issue.



While realizing the importance and need of financial support for the ministry, we cannot help but also think about the most important need - spiritual nourishment and edification. With that in mind, the Solnechnogorsk Church began to meet for worship this summer, even though the building isn't done yet. They will continue to work on the building, but the most important thing is to focus on the people who are in need of spiritual care.

We continue to receive a considerable number of letters, and the Lord constantly reminds us that people especially need spiritual bread. And we, with God's help, send them CDs with RCR's programs and sermons, *The Gospel Behind Barbed Wire* magazines and other Christian literature, as well as personally handwritten letters. Here are some of their letters:

Mark Mostovoy (Karymsky district, Chita region, Russia): "I am currently serving a prison sentence. Someone gave me a copy of *The Gospel Behind Barbed Wire* to read, and it shook me up! It is thanks to this magazine that I began to read the New Testament, with the hope to find in it something for myself, and thus learned that Jesus Christ is my Savior, for which I am truly grateful. Previously my soul was lonely and depressed. Now that is gone. I firmly believe that no matter where I am, even in solitary confinement – I am not alone; with me is my Savior."

Victor Filatov (Zubovo-Polyansky district Mordovia region, Russia): "From the bottom my heart I thank all your staff for the magazine, *The Gospel Behind Barbed Wire*, as well as the book, The Holy War by John Bunyan, which I have long been looking for. Thank you, beloved ones, for helping me. Thank you from my heart for the brochure with the testimony of David Berkowitz!"

Elena Oganyan ("Transfiguration" Church, Tyumen, Russia): "We are corresponding with prisoners and receive your magazine. I would like to express my appreciation for the much-needed and important work that you do. In our correspondence school we have about 40 students, and brothers from our church visit two prisons. We currently receive 8-10 copies of your magazine. We are writing to you with a request: can we increase the number of copies of your magazine to 20? Your magazine is in great demand and of interest to our students."

Please pray:

- for the publication and distribution of the magazine *The Gospel Behind Barbed Wire*;
- for remodeling work on a house for men at Nikulino and for preparation for the winter;
- for recordings of new video programs for RCR;
- for the Russian RCR Board meeting, which will be held in Moscow in September;
- for the US group's trip to Russia in September.



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