

Verse of the Month

“If we are out of our mind, it is for the sake of God....For Christ’s love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all...”

2 Cor. 5:13-14

NOVEMBER 16, 2009

Kid’s Corner

It is always amusing to hear different things that kids say, and the way that they interpret things.

The other day, Jon and I were in the kitchen talking, and all of a sudden, Alex says, “Daddy, you need to apologize to Mommy. We don’t call each other names!” Jon of course asked what he was talking about, and Alex says, “You called Mommy ‘Baby’, and we don’t call each other babies. It isn’t nice to call people names!” Jon and I tried not to laugh out loud while we explained the difference to him, but we couldn’t help but chuckle inside!

Isaac has really learned how to turn on the charm and tells me every night when I tuck him in, “Mommy, I love you all the way to the moon!”

Jonah hasn’t been very verbal with his affections lately, but loves to snuggle! I’ll gladly take that too!

Financial Report

We are SO close!

We are **still** needing \$200 a month in support!

Would you please prayerfully consider how God may be calling you to partner with us?

\$5, \$10, \$25.....It all adds up, and we appreciate it!

The countdown has begun!!!!

With only 44 days left until we leave the comfort of the continental United States, the lists of things to do seems to keep piling up. Passports? Check. Visas? Applied for. Suitcases packed? Kind of.... Fluent in Russian? Not even close!

Many of you have been asking what our schedule looks like till we leave, so I thought I’d give you an outline.

Dec. 3rd, the boys and I will be heading back to Iowa. We will be stopping overnight and finish the trip on the 4th. I will be going to Mt. Pulaski on the 4th for the card buffet and will return on the 5th to start the major packing process. I want to get as much done before Jon gets home as possible so that we can spend our time together visiting friends and family. Jon will finish up his classes at RLM on



the 11th and fly back to Davenport that night. On the 12th, we will be making our last visit to Mt. Pulaski to visit our friends and church there. On Dec. 18th, we are celebrating Christmas with Jon’s family, on Christmas day we will be celebrating Christmas with my family. On Dec. 27th, Jon will be getting ordained at Bettendorf Christian Church with a cake reception afterward. Our flight for Ukraine leaves from Chicago on Dec. 28th, and by 10:00 pm (Ukrainian time) on the 29th, we should be in our new hometown of Kremenchuk.

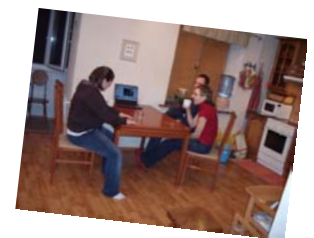
We are hoping to see most of you before we leave, but if we aren’t able to, please know that we love you all very much and appreciate your prayers and support more than you know! God bless you all. We’ll miss you!!!!

Our New Address

When we get to Ukraine, we are going to be living in the apartment of another American missionary couple who are currently in the States on furlough. Jon and Andrea agreed to let us live there until they get back next summer, probably June or July. This is a huge blessing to us, and has greatly decreased our stress over where we would live.

We would love to get letters and pictures when we move, and have been asked where people can send care packages. Our address in Ukraine is:

Jon & Jenny Gainer
Pobedi Str. 26, kb10
Kremenchuk, Ukraine 39614



There are several things that we cannot buy in Ukraine that we would love if people could send us including, chocolate chips, baking powder, washcloths and crayons. We will add more to the list as we figure it out ourselves! Thank you!



NOVEMBER

Sun

15 Thank God for an **AWESOME** family day!

22 Pray that I would not stress out about all of the things left to do.

29 Please pray for our team leader Stas and his family

6 Pray that I would be able to get all of the suitcases packed and "ready" to go

13 Pray that God would fill our hearts with Joy and not sadness

Mon

16 Please pray for me as I homeschool the boys

23 Please pray that the boys would continue to be flexible

30 Pray for our team in Ukraine as they begin to make preparations for us

7 Pray that the boys would handle yet another transition well.

14 Pray that we are able to see as many friends and family as possible before we leave

Tue

17 Pray for Jon and I to lean on each other

24 Pray that we would keep our eyes focused on God

Dec. 1 Pray that we are able to be in the Word everyday

8 Pray that I would stay focused on the task at hand and not get distracted

15 Thank you to all of our supporters. We could not do this without you!

Wed

18 Pray that we would get our Visas back quickly

25 Pray that the devil would not discourage us or distract us from God's will

2 Please pray that I have a great last day of class!

9 Please pray for Jon as he studies for finals

16 Pray that we would enjoy the holidays with our families

Thu

19 Pray that Jon and Dave would have a safe trip to Peoria

26 Thank God for your family and time to spend with them

3 Pray for the boys and I as we head back to Davenport!

10 Thank God for Russian Language Ministries. They have been a huge blessing to us!!!!

17 Please pray for us to remember who is in charge, and to let go and let Him be!

Fri

20 Thank God for missionaries around the world sharing God's love

27 Pray that our minds would be open to learning as much Russian as possible!

4 Pray for traveling mercies for the boys and I as we finish our trip

11 Please pray that Jon does well on his finals and has a safe flight back to Dav.

18 Thank God for Kontaktmission and their tremendous support

Sat

21 Pray for me and the boys while Jon is away

28 Please pray for Jon and I to draw closer to each other and God.

5 Thank God for wonderful friends in Mt. Pulaski

12 Thank God for Wade and Mike who are running Campaignpros while we're gone

19 Please pray for the lost souls of Ukraine. Prepare the hearts of the people we will encounter.



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