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LOOKING BACK

Forty years! I can't imagine how tired I'd be by now if I'd been wandering in the desert all this time! ;-)

Wednesday (the 9th) will mark forty years since I first saw the light of day (or at least the delivery room lights). Needless to say, it's hard to believe it's been so long!

I have now celebrated thirteen of my last fourteen birthdays in Russia. Who could have imagined that I would spend (so far) over 1/3 of my life here!

God has been so very faithful. Since my part-time beginning with Kingdom Ventures to our full-time ministry with MBMS International and CCI/Russia, God has blessed despite my personal shortcomings and failures.

Thank you to all who have stood with us over the years and upheld us in prayer! It has been an incredible journey, and it goes on! Glory be to God!!!

- Kevin, Lena, Sonia, Maya & Deena



COMING TO CANADA

Here's where we're at: As we wait for news from the Canadian Embassy in Moscow about Lena & Sonia's visas we are carefully considering our housing options. As we told you before, housing prices are rapidly climbing here, and since we don't have a home of our own in Canada we'll likely have to sell in order to purchase a home in Canada. While we have no desire to burn (or rather sell) any bridges, we will likely have to put our home on the market soon.

And then there's the move! Do we try to reduce our material possessions to ten suitcases (or so) or do we pay thousands of dollars to ship our (only!) belongings to Canada? Should we take Maya and or Deena to Canada earlier (for the sake of Maya's schooling—she is ready to enter grade one—and for the ease of packing and moving without little ones underfoot)? So many questions, so little time. ;-)
Please continue to remember our preparation in prayer!!!

BLESSINGS

◆ Nina received 500 Rubles (about 21 CAD) this past week to help cover the cost of her prescription medications. This is an *annual* donation from a local deputy (city councillor) in St. Petersburg (it's not much, but it helps).

◆ The schedule for the upcoming Bible School Sport Seminar in Helsinki has been confirmed. Immediately following our youth camp I will depart for Helsinki to teach a 16-hour course on using recreational sport in camp and church ministry.

PETITIONS

◆ Please pray for Sonia as she switches to a new course this week. She will now be working primarily with precious stones (actually imitations!). New lessons to learn as she seeks to hone her jewellery-making skills!

DID YOU KNOW...

◆ ...that during Soviet times (a mere 15 years ago!) there was a time when in order to purchase books you first had to collect x-number of kilograms of scrap paper and cardboard? Russians love books, so it wasn't hard to motivate the citizens to recycle this commodity!

ESSENTIAL INFO

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