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HAPPY BIRTHDAY DEENA!

Such a big girl! Yesterday (the 22nd) was the big day for Deena. Ever since big sister Maya's birthday three weeks ago Deena has been counting the days (as best as she is able) until her turn to be "big". I guess it can be tough having your birthday after everyone else's when you're the youngest.

We all enjoyed a great day of food, fun and presents. Deena greeted everyone with an enthusiastic "It's my **birthday** today!!!" It certainly was! As always, pictures of the big day are online on [Flickr](#).

Thank you all for your prayers and support of our family over the three years of Deena's life. We look forward to the day when our family (and the rest of you) can finally meet Deena in Canada!!!

- Kevin, Lena, Sonia, Maya & Deena



COMING TO CANADA

Eight days left in October, and still no word from the Canadian Embassy in Moscow. We're trying **very** hard to be patient!!! Hopefully news will come soon—please keep praying!

In the meantime, we have been receiving more and more offers of help with material needs for our arrival in Canada. It looks like much/most of our kitchen needs will be taken care of before we arrive. One thing we haven't mentioned before is the need for mattresses. We would really appreciate the means to purchase some new sleeping surfaces for our family upon our arrival.

BLESSINGS

◆ Speaking of sleep, we received word from British Columbia that [Shannon Wall](#) and her daughters Nicole & Amanda have decided to make blankets for Maya & Deena as Christmas presents! We are very thankful and touched by their thoughtfulness.

◆ Praise God for our dear daughter Deena! She was a surprise from the beginning, and we can't imagine ever getting tired of the joyful surprises she brings into our lives.

PETITIONS

◆ Visa news (of course)! Please pray that some news will come soon!

◆ While Sonia continues to look for a new part-time job she is considering switching to a different jewellery school. Please pray that she will make the right decision about school.

◆ Please continue to pray for our financial needs. More information about our support is at www.krhamm.com/support.

DID YOU KNOW...

◆ ...that regular trolleybus service in St. Petersburg began on October 21, 1936? The first St. Petersburg trolleybus was actually test-driven on March 31, 1902. While trolleybus use is currently in decline, in 1990 the city had some 1300 trolleybuses running, carrying in excess of 550 million passengers per year.

ESSENTIAL INFO

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