

CALVARY CHAPEL OMSK, RUSSIA

"But for you who fear My name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its wings; and you will go forth and skip about like calves from the stall"

Malachi 4:2

Dear brothers and sisters,

Greetings from Siberia again! It's time to share with you about the Lord's work in, among and through us in the city of Omsk. Thank you so much for taking time to read our newsletters and praying for us!

February's been a tough month for me with my back again. Had to stay in bed for 2 weeks and the joy was lost. I was praying for God's strengthening power to help me. It was such a blessing to receive the Word from one of the pastors who shared the verse from Malachi 4:2 with me and since that day my hope was restored and I was working with the Lord on being back in the ministry and going to the gym to stretch and bring relief to the back muscles. Feeling much better, continuing to strengthen my back. Thank you all, who prayed for me during this season. God is good - I was able to attend our annual men's conference!

We're doing good as a church. Always have things to thank the Lord for and always have things to pray and intercede for! We praise the Lord for the open doors to the orphanage and hospice. It's not easy there at times, but brethren serve there faithfully and we enjoy hearing the stories how some people are interested in spiritual matters and how the Lord changes hearts and things in answer to our weekly prayers.

Sasha and Tanya were finally able to sell their 2 room flat, add the money which they got from the government for the second child and bought a 3 room flat. They've tried it for the last 2 years and the Lord's timing has just recently opened all the doors - they just had to wait😊. One more family and one more sister have also moved into their new flats. So it was a season of moving, but what a blessed one!

It's also encouraging to see how the Lord answers our prayers for the relatives. One lady always prays for her grown up sons and one of them called her one morning back in December and asked if he could go to the church with her - it's a blessing to see him on Sundays at church!

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Family discipleship conference

December 9-11 - Craig Caster, Miguel Rivera, Kostya&Marianna Korenkov came out all the way to us to bless the families and parents with seminars on raising children and family relationships. The Lord has added 2 more churches who joined us that weekend. It was a blessing to have their website and materials translated into Russian. Families are going through this ministry's materials and it blesses them so much!



Christmas celebration

December, 25 - we were looking into Scriptures to remind ourselves of the reasons of our Lord's coming to Earth - to save us from sin; to reveal the Father; to give life, to serve and to give His life a ransom for many! The children sang a great song together and our worship team did an acapella for the first time.



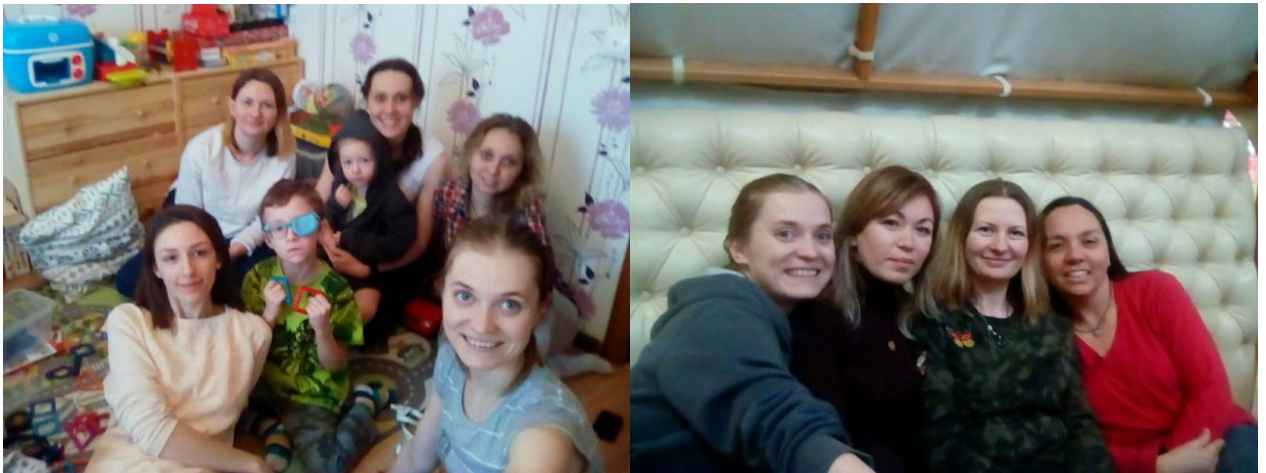
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CC women's conference - February 10-12

"Practical ministry" was the theme and 4 ladies were blessed to attend the conference in Moscow. The Lord spoke to them and they shared the main thoughts with the church 2 weeks ago and will also share at the women's Bible study next week!

Our ladies had some time before the conference and were able to visit and bless Yana who lives with her husband and kids in Moscow now!



CC men's conference - February 23-25

4 pastors from the USA and 3 pastors from Russia encouraged so many hearts from the Word who attended the conference. What a blessing it was for my heart to hear what I needed so much! 3 more guys were there with me and it was a great time for all of them. After the conference I was asked to share at CC Ramenskoe and was blessed to get to know the church more!



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Upcoming events:

- March 5 - CC Omsk 20th anniversary;
 - April 16 - Easter service;
 - April 29 - May 1 - our annual church conference in Omsk;
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Please, pray with us for:

- those who stopped coming to church for the last several years;
- a family in our church - the husband is going through a hard time and has left 7 months ago - we're praying for his return to the Lord and to his wife;
- Outreach - a heart for us to reach the people in our city;
- Everything the Lord has for us this coming spring;
- Rimma and her mission in Abkhazia - she has moved into the church where Yura and Wendy are pastoring now;
- Natasha as she serves the patients at hospice;
- Tanya and Sasha as they need wisdom in serving the disabled children in one of the orphanages;
- God's wisdom in ministering to new people in the fellowship;
- Our own church building;
- Spiritual growth and maturity;
- A possibility to join a group of CC pastors in Russia as we plan a trip to Israel in November 2017 - finances;

Thanks again for taking time to read, pray and support us in God's work in Omsk! His every blessing to you and your families!

In His grace, Max.

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