



# FRONTLINE

Monthly Prayer Letter

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“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men!” –Luke 2:14



Jan 7 is Christmas in Russia



## The Gospel Behind Barbed Wire Magazine

On Christmas Eve, we received the new magazine supplement from the printer: “Salvation - a gift or our efforts?” with sermons by Earl Poysti. We give thanks to the Lord and all who helped with this publication. Our last 2019 issue of the magazine with the theme “The Word” was also released! Dear friends, the publication and distribution of our magazines come almost entirely from your support. Many people do not have money to subscribe to the magazine. Your help is a great blessing to them!

*“I am reading your magazine with great interest and I learn a lot. I have become a believer because of you. It's very good that there is such a magazine in prison. You bring the Good*

*News to places where there is no other way to learn something about God, about faith, and about how to live by faith. Please continue to send me magazines, I really need them.” Leonid S. (prisoner, Kirov region)*

## RCR Recording Studio Ministry

Recently there was a minister from Crimea in our studio, doing a recording for our CHOICE program, who has been confined to a wheelchair for 30 years. At one time he aspired to the career of a naval officer, but tragic events completely turned his life upside down. God had another plan for this man's life! You can watch this video on our YouTube channel “RCR-Videos” (only in Russian). Thanks to your prayers and financial support, we can invite interesting guests, process huge volumes of information and recorded files, and regularly release video programs!



Here is one of the recent messages that Nadim B., a viewer of the CHOICE programs, sent to us through WhatsApp: “... I accidentally found your channel on YouTube. I've been sitting here watching all night and I can't stop watching – every night for a week now! Listening to the testimonies of many different people, I began to believe in God more and more. I want to repent, to tell someone everything that I did wrong... I am a very bad person... I grew up in a Muslim family... Save me please. Please pray for me, and for my wife and children.”

## Pirkko Home “Liberation” Ministry

Recently, we are paying special attention to improving the competence of our leaders who minister at the Pirkko Homes. 15 people (including several Pirkko Home graduates) are studying in Bible schools. This makes us very happy! Our desire is to be effective in ministry and helpful in local churches. We are also actively improving the rehabilitation program, so we can try to prevent any relapses of our graduates. We pay a lot of attention to mentoring and discipleship for people in the program and for those who work with them. We keep in touch with the other centers, because we all face similar problems and learn from each other. Along with this ministry, there are difficulties and personal trials; please pray about all these situations: one of our Pirkko Home leaders was in a car accident; another leader's wife had a miscarriage so we ask you to pray for comfort for them; in another family, the leader's wife has a broken foot; in many families, the children seem to get sick very often. Pray for us that God will give us strength and guidance in our ministry.

### **Please also pray:**

- for wisdom in overcoming difficulties at the Kimry Pirkko Home: for a better relationship and understanding with the local church, for constant, consistent work for those at the center and for dedicated assistants for the leader, Andrei Kholodov (he's had a number of assistants leave after a short period of time);
- for the development of ministry at the Plavsk Pirkko Home in Berezovo, so that the center is filled with new people. Also pray for Peter's assistant, Ilya (30 years old) - he urgently needs dental work (dentures -\$470) - he lost more than half of his teeth due to a poor lifestyle;
- about the opportunity to talk more about our ministry due to passing out brochures and flyers on the streets to drug addicts and alcoholics and through the Internet to reach their relatives;
- for wisdom as we work on becoming more self-sufficient at the Pirkko Home rehab centers (gardening and raising animals) so each center can meet daily needs such as providing food for the residents.



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