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PRAYER NEEDS:

Money for starting new centers. (\$800 a month)

Apartment for Finley Family

Traveling Mercy for the Hogan & Finley families

New Converts

Pray for these soldiers to receive Jesus

1. Sasha
2. Valodya
3. Viktor
4. Zhenya
5. Artyom
6. Nikolai

MARCHING ON WITH JESUS

The time back in America has gone fast and we will fly back to Russia on the 14th of September. It is hard to believe that we are beginning our 11th year of ministry in Russia. We are anxious to return and have been communicating with the Servicemen's Center by telephone every two weeks.

Oksana Guminuk has been doing a terrific job as the director of the Center while we have been here sharing about our work. Her training with Youth with a Mission (YWAM) has been a blessing for us with her good financial accountability and the clear and concise reports we get every week.

In the past couple of weeks Russia has come under several terrorist attacks with the blowing up of two airliners and a human bomb being detonated outside a Metro station. The most recent attack was the taking over of a school and the detonation of explosives killing 340 women and children.



The need for God's Word in the military is needed now more than ever. Please add the recent attacks on Russia to your daily prayers and pray that these terrorist attacks will stop. Many of our soldiers will be asking how to deal with the current situation and where does God fit in? We will need God's wisdom to an-

swer.

The evening of September 11, 2001 thousands of Russian citizens in St. Petersburg stood outside the American Consulate in the rain to sign a book of condolence to the American people. In Moscow the same thing happened outside the American Embassy.

Would we do the same?

FRESH TROOPS ARRIVE!

We are happy to report that God has called Curt, Patty, and Lauren Finley to help us in Russia. They will be a tremendous asset to Operation Centurion.

Two years ago Patty

came to visit us in St. Pete to see the work and to hand out Bibles to the soldiers. As you can tell, her enthusiasm rubbed off on the rest of the family.

The Finleys previously owned two barbecue res-

taurants. Now they will be using their gifts of service to help spread the gospel.

Please pray for their adjustment to a new culture, for Lauren to adjust to a new school, and for an apartment for them.

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Lt. Col. Robert Romanov

Lt. Col. Robert Romanov has been coming to the center every time he is in St. Petersburg. Currently he is stationed in Baikonur, Kazhakstan which is the "Cape Kennedy" of Russia.

Recently, he was in St. Pete to attend some classes at St. Petersburg Christian University. He also attended the Military Christian Conference and came by our center.

We have been supplying him with Bibles for his Church of 50 people. Robert was saved under Derek Prince ministries 10 years ago and started a church on his military base.

We are happy to say that we gave him 1000 Bibles this time to do ministry with. He just wrote us and told us that many of these went to military libraries and to the countries of Uzbekistan, Kirghizstan and Chechnya.

He also wants to start a Servicemen's Center in connection with his Church.

Operation Centurion is a Christian non-profit organization reaching out to Russian and NATO soldiers and their families. The organization provides Bibles and Christian reading material along with Christian music. Basic hygiene items such as soap, deodorant, shampoo, toothpaste and toothbrushes, disposable razors and shaving cream are provided for single soldiers. Because military pay is so poor, personnel who are married will be furnished with basic food products to help relieve this shortage. Roger and Margaret are the Founder and President of the organization. Their goal is to provide Christian Servicemen's Centers where soldiers can relax and hear the Word of God through weekly Bible studies and where soldiers can receive prayer and counseling based on Biblical principles.

Your contribution is tax deductible. Operation Centurion is a 501 © 3 Non-profit ministry. Our tax I.D. number is: 81-0558115

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SPREADING THE WORD

Vasily is one of our soldiers that has been at the Center from the very beginning, in fact, he was the hardest to reach for Christ. Now he is the one who is responsible for bringing the most young men to Church and the Center.

Right before we left to come home to itinerate, he brought his sister Lena. She lives in the Siberian region of Russia and was in the city for a month looking for work.



Vasily and his sister, Lena

Vasily could not wait to show her the film, The Passion of the Christ and to tell her about Salvation. She also got to see the film, The Ten Commandments. All this really got her interested in reading the Bible.

We are happy to say that

she gave her heart to the Lord at our Sunday morning service. Praise the Lord for his wonderful work! Now family members are being reached.

Vasily talks of going back to his village and starting a church or maybe becoming a missionary to China when his time is finished in the military. He will graduate from his Army Military Academy, June 2005

Please pray that more soldiers and their families will be reached for Jesus this next year.