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Dear Friends and Loved Ones,

As near as we can tell, the photo on the right shows the greatest reunion yet of the brothers and sisters who have finished the Bible courses in the rehabilitation centers and have gone on to fill places of usefulness in the Russian churches. As it occurs every year, the reunion takes place in the big church in St. Petersburg. Pastor Valera, the director of our center, is now one of the leaders of the Open Doors program that includes “Houses of Hope” all across Russia. We are thankful Vyborg Christian Center has been a part of this outreach.



A pretty, happy baby! This is Liza, Aleksey and Natasha Holman-skih’s third child, at a picnic in the back yard of the Christian Center. It is summer in NW Russia now!

Our oldest son Joe, his Russian wife Jenny, and their family are now in Russia. This was only possible because Jenny has Russian citizenship.



Meanwhile, we are enjoying the summer in the Deep South in the Peach State of Georgia. Actually, we’ve seen few peach trees but many magnolias (Judy is holding one magnolia blossom from the tree in our front yard.), huge groves of pecan trees, plenty of peanut plants, fields of cotton, and this is claimed to be “The Watermelon Capital of the World.” Now we are working with a Gospel mission in our town called Hand of Hope. We didn’t invent that name, but in some ways it is much like the mission we have had in Vyborg for the past twenty-eight years. We still hope to return to Vyborg in the fall, but for us the border is still closed. Pray for our workers busy in the ministries there: Pastor Valera, two Pastor Alekseys, Sasha Tarasov, and their families, and the House of Hope rehab center. Also a third Aleksey (Glushkov) may also be returning to help in the Christian Center.