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Dear Friends,

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the great white north where the weather has been changing from a frozen -40 to a heat wave of +43 in less than three days. There was also a "little" wind with gusts up to 50 mph but we will take the warm weather any way we can get it.

We recently talked with some of the Russians we met with when we first came to Delta, but had not seen in a long time. They were some that gave us the most opposition. We had heard that they had separated from the Pentecostals and were meeting with other families that had left also. They were very friendly to Nancy and I which was a pleasant surprise because of the problems that our doctrinal differences had caused in the past. The last time we saw them, they hardly spoke to us. We thank the Lord for this change in attitude.

In the past few months several have called or stopped me in the grocery store asking for Bibles. Praise the Lord we have had Bibles to give them as well as a God's Simple Plan of Salvation tract and a 2006 Scripture calendar in Russian. Please help us pray for these families and all these that have received the Bibles and tracts that they will be saved. We are praying that finally they are seeing something different about us that they do not see in the Pentecostals.

We have mentioned a lady named Sophia in several of our letters. She has been having some health problems lately. I met with her and several other Russians downstairs in Babushka Raisa's apartment. (I spoke in the home of Babushka Raisa's son many times before he was killed in an ultra light plane crash back in 2001). Sophia introduced me as her Pastor which was a surprise. Grandma Raisa handed me a Bible and asked me to read. I read from the Russian Bible and then we had prayer. This may not seem like much, but to us this was a big step forward. We thank the Lord for the privilege to be able to serve Him and for little moments like these to be able to share the love of God. Also, please keep Peter and his family in your prayers. He has been working in Wasilla, Alaska and has not been to church in several months.

We want to thank each of you so much for your prayers and support. Your faithfulness means so much to us. Please continue to keep us in your prayers that we will be a light to those around us and that God will use us greatly in the coming year.

In His Service,

Ernie & Nancy Wyrick