Greetings in the name of Jesus! Or "Masih may ap ki salamti ho!" as I am learning in Urdu.

The new year is off to a great start! Pastor Maksim in Russia baptized a new sister into the living kingdom hope that we share. There is no greater joy than a sinner who repents and chooses to obey Jesus and be baptized! We welcome Ksenia to the family! Please pray for her as she begins her new

walk of faith.



When Maksim traveled to baptize sister Ksenia, he also met in Samara with a couple and a young man that he has been corresponding with and talking with the past year and a half after meeting on one of his Russian Facebook groups. When Maksim travels he always goes through his extensive contact list and if there are any people that he is interacting with, he lets them know he will be in their area if they would like to get together.

Brother Uli in Siberia is stable and praying for another year of life with the hope that he will see his daughter and mother-in-law come to the faith that his wife died with and that he holds so dear. He prays that the truth of God would touch their hearts and that they would repent and embrace Jesus. Please continue to pray for strength for him, and pray that the tumor in his brain would not grow more, but would even disappear. Our God is able!

It is with great joy that I continue corresponding with Amir and Nomi in Pakistan. They are faithful servants of the Most High God, preaching and teaching the kingdom and helping people grow in their faith and the truths of Scripture. One man who was possessed by demons was set free and now he not only believes in the name of Jesus that gave him true freedom, but he wants to serve with the





team. His name is also Amir. Please pray for him as he grows in the faith and that the power of God would be evident to others and

bring them also to salvation. Waseen is another man you can pray for as well.

We are not just blessed to have been born here in America, we have a great responsibility to use the "talents" that we have been given. God has given the believers of Russia, Pakistan, and many other oppressed countries the strength to live out their Christianity in ways that we most likely will never have to, and as a result of the joy of their salvation they desire to not just keep it to themselves, which would be much easier and safer, but they are passionate about fulfilling the Great Commission and living in obedience to the one in whom they believe. They desire to snatch as many as they can from the fire before the return of Jesus. They consider it a true honor and privilege to



serve YHWH and His son, Jesus. Evangelist Amir has a full-time job working in a hospital, but he visits people that invite him over in the evenings and on the weekends, sometimes traveling hours one way. They rely on the power of God and the joy of the Lord is their strength!

Alex in Nicaragua is another one-man kingdom evangelizing machine! Either we do the work or we don't, and Alex is doing the work! Besides his full-time job as a web designer, he has a television program teaching the differences between the Bible and religion. What an inspiration these people are! Please pray for Alex and his ministry.

Terri Moore and I have been working on a website, Kingdom of God Ministries and Missions. Please check it out at www.kogmissions.com and check out the "Global Missions" page to see more about the kingdom work happening around the world. We desire this website to be many things, an encouragement, a resource for study and teaching, informational about the kingdom ministries of the brethren worldwide, and probably most importantly, an evangelistic tool to get God's truths out for those seeking God, or searching for like-minded brethren. We link to other websites committed to truth and, in doing so, we have a greater presence on the web. We are continually adding things, so check back often!

If you haven't already, please put <u>Sunday</u>, <u>March 18th</u> on your calendar. MN Missions will be hosting a missions conference at the St. Cloud Church of God, and <u>career missionaries Carey and Jenny Clark will be driving up from Tennessee to be our guest speakers</u>. Come out and hear about *The Heart of Missions*. 1:30-4:30 Snacks provided.

All for Him!

Tracy Zhykhovich

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