

# KINGDOM

# NEWSLETTER

*Taking the Teachings of Jesus to the Nations & Connecting Like-minded Believers*



## 2 Baptisms in Russia & 2 in Kazakhstan

In May Maksim traveled to Kazakhstan and Penza. He was amazed at how God orchestrated everything, saying that it was an ideal ministry trip, that he couldn't have planned any better himself!

Brother Ravshan (who he met with in Russia last month, along with his wife Gulnara), traveled to where Maksim was, as did brother Evgeni. The three brothers had blessed fellowship for a week. They rented a banya with a pool and Maksim baptized Ravshan.

Sister Gulnara was not able to come due to travel expenses so she stayed home with their child. Brother Ravshan baptized her in their bathtub when he returned, with brother Maksim on the phone. Please pray for them. They live in a Muslim country.

While in Kazakhstan, Maksim also met with an elderly man that he has been corresponding with from the internet.

During that week his travels spontaneously changed due to several phone calls.

Sister Maria called to say that she had repented and wanted to be baptized and had some time off and could travel to Penza because she had relatives there. Brother Elnur, from Penza, also called and wanted to be baptized.

So, Maria traveled with her 6-year old son, Matthew, and Maksim took a 2-day train from from Kazakhstan to Penza.

Maria lives near Moscow and Maksim has known her for about 4 years. He met her when he was near there during his other travels. Her husband is not a believer, but is not opposed to her beliefs.

Maria grew up a 7th Day Adventist but when she went to college she fell away and this is when she met her husband.

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# The Fruit of Maksim's Labor



Maria &  
Matthew

Elnur

Aleksandra

Maksim

Maria didn't hold any beliefs, but later was compelled to study again. She still did not believe in the trinity. She wanted to know God, but the 7th Day Adventists disappointed her with Ellen White. Maria did not accept that White was a prophet. She had seen Anthony Buzzard's books that they used and then found Maksim online. (Once again, books and literature are essential to ministry!)

Sister Aleksandra lives in Penza. Maksim met her in the hospital about 9 years ago. She wanted to be baptized but her husband was very against everything so out of respect to him she told Maksim she had to break contact with him. After her husband died, she got back in touch with Maksim and was baptized in September of 2024.

When Maksim visits people to baptize them he tells them they can invite friends and family over and he will share biblical truth and hope with them. When Aleksandra was baptized, that week she invited her neighbor Elnur to her home to listen.

Elnur is a Tartar and never had any faith. He is also nearly blind. After Maksim first shared with him he bought him a MP3 player and put a bible on it for him to listen to. Sister Aleksandra also would visit him and read Anthony's books to him. He told Maksim that he could tell from his voice that he was a good man and speaking truth. Maksim stayed in touch with him by phone and in two years, made another disciple.

Maksim gave Matthew a children's Bible as well, and the four had a very blessed week of fellowship and study.

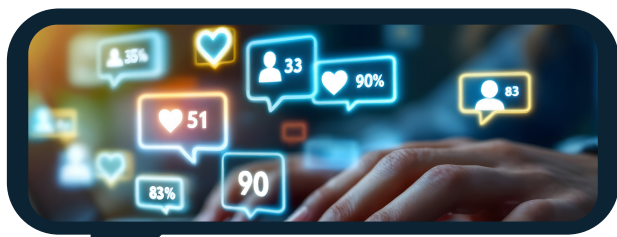
Maksim rejoiced in the Father's harvest in May and then traveled about 2 days home by train.

In addition to individual calls and letters, Maksim tries to have an online fellowship once or twice a month with those who have internet and can do that. Usually 3-4 people join online. He said he tries to show all the brethren that they are one body, even though many live in former Soviet countries.

## May Anniversary: 12 Years of Service

Maksim and I also rejoiced together over God's amazing ministry. Maksim's labor, although often difficult and with many hardships, has been a labor of love and God had blessed his efforts greatly. One man faithfully serving God, Christ, and the brethren in Russia and former Soviet countries. He thanks each person who has also invested in this ministry and who faithfully partners in this work. 12 years have gone by fast and we will continue to obey the Great Commission faithfully. Glory to God (and to Maksim when Jesus returns!)





## Correspondence

"Thank you so much for the videos ! The view is Amazing! Very blessed" (YT: [Devotions from the Farm - How are you Making Plans for the Future?](#))

"So beautiful & very exciting. Thanks for sharing" (YT Short - [Awakening to Resurrection: A Beautiful Promise](#))

"Great teaching backed with scripture! The gospel of God's grace and the gospel about the kingdom are the same through Jesus the Messiah." (YT - "[What is the Gospel? Jesus or the Kingdom?](#)")

"Thank you Tracy, that was great, loved what your father taught you!" (YT Short "[Devotions from the Farm - Legacy: What are You Leaving Behind?](#)")

What a beautiful testimony! We are all a work in progress as Christians throughout our lives, and we all need the help and support of fellow believers! (YT Short - "[Grateful for Support: A Heartfelt Testimony](#)")

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