

## 600,000 Russians in New York City need a church that speaks their language...



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Dear friends,

Happy New Year! Although we still have a few more days of 2021 to finish, we hope that you are anticipating great things from God in 2022. His hand is not shortened, His ear is not heavy, His eyes still run to and fro throughout the whole earth, and He is still able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think. May the coming days be the best days of your walk with Him!

We finished September and began October on the road, visiting two of our supporting churches in Michigan. That trip also afforded us an opportunity to have lunch with our pastor and some of his family, and we were very glad that our oldest son, Christopher, drove up from Ohio to meet us at one of the churches. Then, we drove to Connecticut to participate in another missions conference. These churches and meetings were all blessings to us. We welcome opportunities to see our faithful friends!

During this time back in New York, Sherry had a ladies' meeting in our church and also began an experimental series of ESL classes. She had already finished teaching a weekly Level 1 class that had lasted for nine months. This new series was a three-session class, meeting once each in October, November, and December at different times on different days of the week. She also began teaching her weekly Level 2 class.



October was also the end of Gabriel's fall baseball season. He consistently tried to share the Gospel with his teammates and coaches, and ended the season by giving each of them an evangelistic baseball movie.

November means Thanksgiving, and we were glad to again have a big meal and service at our

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church, which we had not done in 2020. Like our girls had done for September 11, they baked another tray of cookies for our local police precinct for Thanksgiving.

In gratitude, the officers showed them some of their equipment and allowed them to take a look



inside their patrol car. The girls returned to the station for a third time with another batch of cookies on Christmas Eve. This is after four patrol cars and seven officers came to our house on December 17. The last time we had had that many officers at our house, they were beginning the process of kicking us out of Russia! Nothing like that happened this time. While we're not sure exactly why they were in our neighborhood that night, they did receive a plate of cookies and some gospel tracts for being on the job!



The next week was Christmas! But we were all sick (not COVID) to such an extent that Dan canceled our morning service on the 26th. Our faithful Sergii conducted the evening service.

As this memorable month of December draws to a close, we thank the Lord for His manifold grace throughout 2021, and thank you for your love and faithfulness!

Serving our Saviour,

*Dan, Sherry, Symphony, Lacey,  
Shastya, Gabriel, Emma, & Kelsie*

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