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Amanda's January News



Stories of Grace

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"...begging us with much urging

for the favor of participation

in the support of the saints," -2 Cor. 8:4

As I opened my car door to get in I heard, "wait." I had just been talking to an international student who was interested in pursuing a similar education path as I had. I turned around to hear him say, "I am an international student so I don't have much but here." He reached into his wallet, took out all his money, and held it out to me. A huge wave of shock and horror caused me to want to throw my hands back in protest. But before I could say "no" I saw in this student the desire to obey Christ, giving all he had. I could not deny him the opportunity to obey sacrificially. I took the money as, "thank you" floated out of my mouth and vanished into the air. How could two small words stand under the weight of this significant action? Tears filled my eyes as I drove away continuing to thank God, knowing it was to Him the gift was given and from Him I received it.

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Me with part of my team, the Zuks.

Q: What church will you be working with?

A: There are only THREE evangelical churches in the city of Lipetsk (pop. 750,000) and my team works with all of them in various capacities. There is also a Seventh Day Adventist Church, a Pentecostal Church, and possibly a few unregistered churches.

Drinkin Smoothies

and visiting friends (Jen, Ashley and Jeff) up at Word of Life. Jen gave me the opportunity to speak to the women she disciples. I was challenged by the heart of the students. They do love the Lord. Through this time God provided two more financial partners and many women I know will be praying for me!

Brute Strength!

with the teens at New Hope Community Church: I had the pleasure of speaking to New Hope about what God has called me to do in Russia. I was nervous so my prayer for the weekend became, "Lord make me invisible so they only see You." I spoke in the youth group and all four adult services! The Lord provided three financial partners and many prayer partners!

Through conversations and great worship together, God blessed me so much!

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