

Moscow Chaplaincy Team Journeys to St. Petersburg to Assist Fellow Workers

We have been blessed to continuously work in [redacted] in St. Petersburg for the past 12 years. Many inmates who enter the prison have been living on the streets and are suffering from malnutrition and extremely poor health. Housed inside that vast prison are several hundred inmates who are sick with tuberculosis, AIDS and other diseases and many are at the point of death. All are infected with the disease of sin.

Last month we sent three of our Spiritual Freedom chaplains from Moscow to assist our chaplaincy team

working in Saint Petersburg. For two weeks our teams went cell-to-cell ministering the gospel to several thousand inmates in that [redacted] prison. They also distributed Bible courses, New Testaments and other Christian literature. It was both a challenging and rewarding time.

The Lord blessed their efforts and we, along with the angels in heaven, rejoiced over those who responded to the gospel. The chaplains also encouraged the believers to continue to grow in Christ, put off the works of the flesh and be good witnesses to those who are still dead in trespasses and sins. Please pray for continued spiritual growth of these new converts and young believers in Christ.

Death Camp Prisoners Hear Gospel

After returning from St. Petersburg our chaplaincy team traveled to the [redacted] death camp to minister the message of eternal life. A death camp is where convicted murderers are kept until they physically die. Of necessity there is extremely tight security. It's next to impossible for anyone other than prison staff to enter these high security facilities. Thankfully our God is the

God of the impossible and several times a year we have been allowed the unbelievable privilege of sharing the life-giving and life-changing message of the gospel. Where sin abounds grace also abounds, for which all of us who know the Lord will be eternally grateful. Praise the Lord that "God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved" (John 3:17). What an incredible message we have to share, a blood-bought pardon from the King of kings and Lord and lords.

"For He looked down from the height of His sanctuary; from heaven the LORD viewed the earth, to hear the groaning of the prisoner, to release those appointed to death."

Psalm 102:19-20

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Above: the team visits cell to cell at the [redacted] Left and bottom: visiting the prisoners at [redacted]