

SFC-Russia: Kazan and Saratov stepping up to host camps



Kazan, Russia

Thank you for your prayers for the SFC-Russia winter retreat in Kazan in February. Everything went very well, in spite of cultural challenges.

One of the great things that happened was that a new group volunteered to host the SFC-Russia summer camp this year. Please pray for SFC-Saratov as they begin preparations for this event, "Changed to Change", July 5-11, 2010.

We are thrilled to have an SFC-Russia alumnus from Kenya coming to teach student ministry skills. Patricia is currently working with the UN High Commissioner for Refugees in Djibouti and also pursuing an online master's degree in international management. Pray for visas for her and Eric and safe travel for everyone. Pray for anointed ministry and new student groups to result from this leadership training camp.

SFC-Eurasia NW: Spring Planting

Eric recently spent a week in Tbilisi, Georgia discussing student ministry with a colleague, interested students and pastors. They have already translated our SFC Starter Kit prayer guide into Georgian.

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Pray for pioneer student leaders Mariam and Archy as they launch SFC-Georgia.

Ten years ago Eric and one of our student leaders from SFC-Russia crossed 15 time zones to attend the World SALT in Los Angeles, the first global gathering of Pentecostal students. The second such gathering, the Global Student Encounter, occurred five years ago in Buenos Aires. This summer, students and student ministry leaders from across the planet will be gathering at a former communist youth campground, practically in our back yard.

Encounter will consist of five days of multi-national worship and training followed by three days of multi-faceted outreach and evangelism across the city of Budapest. It will all culminate in a final day of celebration with an open-air worship service in downtown Budapest together with the national Hungarian Church.



Pray for students from Russia and Eurasia Northwest to be able to attend. What a great way to catch vision and get some training to kick-start Students for Christ in a new city or country! Pray for us as we participate on staff at this event. While in Budapest, we will also apply to renew our family's visas for Ukraine.

Eric has been invited to visit Armenia soon to help plant SFC-Armenia. Two Armenian girls have already attended SFC training events in Russia.

Praise God for people in Kiev and other parts of our host country who are beginning to work with students. Pray for the seeds of SFC-Ukraine.

Please continue to pray for personnel and resources that Students for Christ may take root also in Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, and Belarus.

We're Students Again

The Assemblies of God has one seminary to serve all of the former Soviet Union, and it's located right here in Kiev. This spring Evangelical Theological Seminary is launching a new MA in Bible and Theology program in English, open to missionaries on the field. The price is right and the modular schedule is designed to fit around our ministry responsibilities. Eric and Jan have both enrolled. Please pray for academic success and minimal stress on the family.

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