

Family in need (2) March 2006

Thanks to your generosity from the recent appeal, Duncan was able to make the journey up to St Petersburg [the former Leningrad] to see some members of the family who are working up there to try to raise money to pay off some of the debts run up for medical treatment. There are a number of Ukrainian sisters living up there, living in really quite terrible accommodation, working long hours and sending back what funds they can to their families. They are holding fast to the Lord, and it was a pleasure to interview and baptize ISKENDRUN, a Tatar living in St Petersburg.



Iskendrun and Angela reading from the Bible Companion and breaking bread in St Petersburg

We continue providing help to our brothers and sisters suffering from the long Winter. Now people in the cities are being met with the heating bills for February, which was the coldest February on record in many areas. As we've mentioned before, old people and those without relatives are earning wages or receiving pensions which often aren't even enough to pay the high heating bills, leaving them faced either with eviction onto the street, or with no money to pay for food, clothing or medicines. It's not uncommon to see old people selling their belongings on the street to try to raise money to pay the heating bills. Here's a picture of a group of pensioners doing just this. They're selling just about anything they have in their wardrobes- old coats, shoes, boots, bits of furniture, anything somebody might be interested to buy:



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We appreciate your support so that our brothers and sisters don't have to quite do this.

On another note, we recently reported the baptism of Sis Sephine. She has written a chilling personal testimony of her experience of domestic violence, abuse etc, and how this was all used by God to bring her to the Truth. The material may not be suitable for all, but if you'd like to see it, it is at www.carelinks.net/care/josephine.htm

With love from your brothers and sisters of CCM