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Over 1,100 Receive Christ In Two Russian Crusades!



A Partial View Of The Hundreds Standing To Receive Christ In The City Of Kursk.

After having traveled and preached the gospel in several countries of the world, I can honestly say I have never seen anything quite like the hunger for God in the former Soviet Union. After having been refused boarding on the train to Kursk, we looked to God (myself, my interpreter and one of the former Bible School students), and was able to secure tickets for a 1:45 a.m. departure to our first crusade city of 750,000 people. The conditions on the train were deplorable and once I thought a little dangerous, but the Lord was about to give a great harvest. After an all night train ride we arrived in Kursk and began a three day crusade.



I Preached For Three Days In This Great Cultural Hall With Seating For A Thousand People.

The people came and with great reverence and anticipation listened to and believed the gospel. I preached five times in three days and around 600 prayed to accept Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour. The people declared they had never heard anything like this before. They wept openly (the Russians do not display a lot of emotions), and said as they listened to the preaching of God's word they were "pricked in their hearts".



Here I Am Giving Out New Testaments. An Estimated 1,500 Were Given Out In The Kursk Crusade Alone.

The old women would grab my hand and kiss it. They were so thankful to hear the truth. One old woman was weeping so, I told my interpreter to find out what she wanted to God. He told me these words. "She said that all her life she had lived without God, now she is asking Him to give her a few more years to serve Him." Yes it would make grown men cry!

In one service, an aged professor stood to pray the sinners prayer. A woman, who had seven brothers killed in World War II (even though her family were Christians and had prayed for them) had become very hard against God. During one service the Holy Ghost touched her hard, bitter heart and she accepted Christ. Many aged people were saved. One elderly white haired man who had fought all four years during the second World War accepted Christ during the crusade.



Hundreds Stood In Line Waiting To Receive The Holy Ghost. Most Had Just Been Saved.

In the Sunday a.m. service, I preached on the Holy Ghost for the last days. During the altar service a pastor laid hands on a ten year old boy from a non-Christian home, whom to my understanding, was saved in the Saturday service. The young boy began to speak in other tongues. Only eternity will reveal how many received the Holy Ghost and were healed in the prayer lines.



The Only Thing Between Me And A Large Bust Of Lennin Was A Curtain. I Had It Pulled Away For This Photograph. Lennin Said He Would Do Away With Christianity!

The money had been provided to rent the Cultural Hall for a year and to pay the new Pastor's salary for three months. The young man went through the Bible School in Moscow. I believe that this will soon be a growing, thriving church.

On Sunday night, following the final service, we took an overnight train back to Moscow, then on to Cheboksary and finally to our next Crusade City. When we arrived in the city of Kanash, I was told that I would be the first person to ever preach the gospel in this city of 90,000 people. There was no true church there before the Crusade. The two main religions were the Orthodox and 30% of the city is Moslem. (They just built a new mosque in the city.) When we left, the cultural hall, which seats 500, was rented for a year and two young men from the Bible School would pastor a new church born out of the three day Crusade.



Hundreds Stand To Receive Christ In A Single Service In Kanash!

The first night the cultural hall director welcomed us and was overjoyed that someone would travel from America and preach in their city. And what a glorious harvest God gave us. Around 550 prayed to receive Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour during the three day meeting.

The people wept and confessed their sinful condition. They acknowledged their need of the Saviour.



The Great Cultural Hall Of Kanash, Where Our Second Crusade In Six Days Was Held. In The Forefront Is A Statue Of Lennin.

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The director of the hall treated us like royalty. She said that only a few years before, she would have been fired if she would have let us preach in the hall.

A newspaper correspondent covered the Crusade and our work in Russia. We were also interviewed for the radio. It is amazing at the interest of the media in God and the Crusade.



Again In Another Service Around 100 People Responded To The Invitation. Those Who Stood In Previous Services Were Asked To Be Seated. We Wanted Only Those Who Were Accepting Christ For The First Time To Stand.

While in the Kanash Crusade, I went and preached in the prison for alcoholics. The conditions here were very sad. The director of the prison was probably a former communist. He escorted us to the hall where many of the prisoners assembled. He sat through the singing and preaching of the gospel. I preached that the problem with man was sin and that Jesus Christ was the only hope. My interpreter said that the men were touched by the service. When we left, the director carried a load of bibles in with him to distribute among the prisoners. Only God could have gotten me into this prison. We were not allowed to take pictures.



The People Coming For Prayer. My Heart Wept As I Kept Thinking Of The Scripture. "They Were As Sheep Without A Shepherd."

Through your giving I will be able to return again and again to Russia. As long as God keeps the door open. There is real political turmoil right now, but the door cannot shut until God allows it. Because of your gifts, we were able to purchase around 3,000 New Testaments, help pay the new Pastor's salary and provide money one new Pastor to travel between the Bible School and the new church at Kanash for the remainder of this class. We received back the funds we had provided for a motorcycle for one new pastor. There just weren't any available, so we put the money in bibles.



Dozens Of People Reaching For New Testaments, Like They Were Some Rare Treasure.

I plan to return to Russia in May to erect the tent and preach a crusade. The Lord willing, I plan then to return in the fall and start more churches. If God speaks to your heart to help us, it would be one of the greatest investments you could ever make in missions. For just \$1,000 you can start a church. Please keep me in your prayers. TO GOD BE ALL THE GLORY!!



The Second Group Of Students At The Bible School In Moscow. I Preached To Them The Night Before I Returned Home.

"Thanks"

May God bless all of you who have given that this harvest of souls would be possible. Thanks to The Palmer Church of God and the Harvest Temple Church in Tennessee for sponsoring sings to benefit the trip. And to those who gave individually. Also thanks to the Ladies ministries of the Dallas Church of God.

Pentecostal Renewal

The Lord blessed greatly at Dallas, North Carolina. The next Renewal will be at the Macclenny, Florida Church of God, June 8-10. Make plans to attend.

"TENT"

Help me pray for a miracle. I still owe around \$4,000 on the tent debt. Its in Russia and the people carrying the note have been kind, but I must pay this soon. I need a Miracle!

Revival And Crusade Dates – April–June

April 2-4 Victory Temple Concord, N.C.

April 25-30 Bethel Holiness Church Jacksonville, FL

May 24-June 4 Tent Moscow, Russia

June 13–17 Youth Camp Forts Lake Assembly Pascagoula, Miss.