

Haven News

The Haven kids (orphanage #4 class of 2009) and their leaders are still meeting at Liz Millikan's apartment. When there is enough money saved up and a house to rent, the Haven can start to meet there. But until then they are making themselves comfortable meeting at the apartment. Lots of kids have been coming regularly to be with the Haven leaders on Monday, Wednesday and Sunday. The kids also can come to guitar lessons with assistant housedad Vitya on Fridays, and play basketball at a local gym with other young people from church on Saturdays.

The biggest praise from the Haven is the first young person has become a believer! On Sunday, October 4th, Vova Krosnovski prayed to receive Christ during the Sunday morning worship service at Central Baptist where the Haven kids and leaders attend. Vova is passionately following Christ, participating in all kinds of church events, talking to his friends about Christ, and being disciplined daily by Haven housedad Vasya. After trade school he wants to go to a Christian University and study to be a pastor! Praise God!

The other kids are enjoying their time at the Haven, learning more about God every day from the leaders, learning to be part of a family and a home. Please pray that many teens would be brought into this family and come to know Christ as Lord! Pray for the wonderful Ukrainian believers who have committed four years of their lives pouring their hearts into these orphan graduates.

I (Liz) had a special conversation with one of the Haven girls one evening. She seemed upset so we went outside to the store next door and ate m&ms and talked about life. She told me how hard it was to leave the orphanage and start trade school. Since it's their first year they get picked on by older kids. Their room is freezing, there's nowhere to wash clothes and they don't know how to cook food on the small stipend they get. She told me about the wounds of her childhood and her worries about the relatives she knows are still living. I am so glad this girl has the Haven to go to for support. Not only can she be fed spiritually and emotionally at the Haven, but her physical needs are being met as well. She can eat good, healthy food every other day at the Haven and also learn how to better cook for herself. She can wash her clothes at my apartment and take showers there (the shower is open two hours a day at the trade school for thirty girls). Thank you for your part in making the Haven ministry possible! Thank you for your prayers!



Housemom Luba with boys from Haven

Shelter News

Oksana and Andre Pankyeyev, houseparents at the Shelter leave for the States on Wednesday, November 4th. Oksana has double hip replacement surgery on November 16th. Andre will be by her side until his return to Ukraine on December 1. Liz Millikan travels to America on December 11th, and travels back to Ukraine with Oksana on December 28th.

While Andre and Oksana are both in the States Liz will live at the Shelter and oversee Shelter activities. Please pray for Tanya, Abram, Ira, and Liz as they take care of the Shelter kids in November. Please also pray for Margarita and Daniel as they are without both parents for the month of November. They are staying with grandparents.



Please join us for an evening of fellowship with Andre and Oksana at the home of Nela Wainscot (84 Citation Ct., Westfield) **Saturday evening November 14th at 7:30**. They will briefly share their thoughts and experiences as houseparents at the Shelter. We will have a time of prayer with Oksana at 8:30.

Trade School Graduates

The Shelter kids who have graduated trade school have been busy looking for work or furthering their education. Here is what some of them are doing:

Lena Shershova is assisting with childcare for Daniel Pankyeyev until Andre's return to Ukraine. She is waiting to hear back about a job offer to be a full time nanny and has another job offer to be a waitress. She said she has been praying about a job for so long and has been so glad to get these answers from God.

Sasha Pinkovski bought a car from money he had saved up. He has been working as a taxi driver.

Ira Diduh found a job at a factory that makes cemetery headstones. It's a low paying job and it's hard, but she is glad to have work. She lives at Liz's apartment with two other Shelter girls.

Vova Ostrovski is doing well at Youth with a Mission DTS in Kiev. He is learning lots about God. He is excited for his group's upcoming mission trip to Turkey.

We are proud of all our graduates as they are all beating statistics. (Only 30% of Ukrainian orphan graduates find work). We are glad most of them still find time to come to the Shelter regularly. Children are gifts from the Lord and we have been privileged to be a part of these kids' lives.



Vova Ostrovski and Shelter assistant house-dad Andre Krevoruchko

Orphan Sunday November 8th

November 8th is a nationally recognized day to bring awareness to the needs of orphans worldwide. Consider what your church or small group could do:

- Launch a year long project or one time event to benefit orphans
- Plan a day of prayer
- Commit to educating yourself or group about orphan's plight and develop a plan for ongoing orphan care
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