



## *Rejoice in HIM!*

*Bringing News of Richard & Judy Grout from Vyborg, Russia  
serving with Hope International Missions since 1993*

### *Russian Lifeline No. 166, Christmas 2011-2012*

*Dear Friends and Loved Ones,*

*Greetings in the amazing Love of our wonderful Lord Jesus Christ, whose coming to earth we are all celebrating! He came first as the Lamb of God, He is coming again as the King of Glory! May the joy of His coming and the hope of His coming again fill your heart with His praise and bless your home with His peace that the world cannot understand.*

*We believe in Christmas celebrations because it is one time when the attention of the whole world is focused on Jesus. Only Jesus can bring true peace and goodwill to all people. We must ask before we can receive, and in order to ask we must agree with God's Word that we are sinners, that we repent of our sins, that we accept Jesus as the Savior from our sins, and we must crown Him as the King of our life who will deliver us from sinning. We believe in honoring Christ at the end and at the beginning of every year. Since all of Heaven rejoiced at His birth, why can't we join in rejoicing?*

*In Russia, the celebrations are only beginning. In Finland, on December 5<sup>th</sup>, we enjoyed an inspiring men's choir in a lovely Lutheran Church. In Estonia, on Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, we were blessed to attend a Christmas concert in Tallinn's new United Methodist Cathedral, with four girls' choirs. Then on Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, in Espoo and Helsinki, Finland, we attended Christmas programs by our friends of One Way Mission. Finally, on Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>, came the first Christmas gathering at Vyborg's Church on the Rock, followed by a Christmas drama on the evening of Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>.*

*We're looking forward to more Christmas celebrations here in Russia, where Orthodox Christmas comes on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of the New Year. January 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> we hope to be in SW Finland, where Judy has been asked to help with the music at a winter camp for Russian children.*

*Most of all, we want to express our thanks to the Lord for the generous support from those who have stood behind us all these years—in 2012 we'll have been 19 years in Russia, and we'll be beginning our 20<sup>th</sup>—we are applying for our 20<sup>th</sup> annual visas to Russia. Your prayers for us are greatly appreciated.*

*All because of HIS amazing Love,  
Richard & Judy Grout*



*Here are our appointments for the first quarter of 2012:*

Jan. 3-8 Salo, Finland                      Russian children's camp  
 Jan. 16                      Helsinki, Finland                      One Way Mission  
 Jan. 17                      from Helsinki to Orlando, Florida  
 Jan. 19                      Winter Park, FL.                      International Community School  
 Jan. 20-31                      Hobe Sound, FL.                      Hope International Missions  
 Feb. 1-12                      Hobe Sound, FL.                      Sea Breeze Camp Meeting  
 Feb. 15 Atlanta, GA.  
 Feb. 17 Tyler, TX.                      Whitehouse Bible Wesleyan Church  
 Feb. 19 Tulsa, OK.                      Wesleyan Bible Church  
 Feb. 20 Joplin, MO.                      The Albertson family  
 Feb. 23 Ottawa, KS.                      Pilgrim Bible Church  
 Feb. 24 St. Louis, MO.  
 Feb. 26 A.M. Westfield, IN.                      Union Friends Church  
 Feb. 26 P.M. Noblesville, IN.                      Pilgrim Holiness Church  
 Feb. 27 Indianapolis  
 Feb. 28 McConnelsville, OH. Ringgold Free Methodist Church  
 Feb. 29 Robertsville, OH.                      Wesleyan Methodist Church  
 Mar. 1                      from Ohio to PA.  
 Mar. 2                      Penns Creek, PA.                      Penn View Bible Institute  
 Mar. 4                      York, PA.                      Bible Methodist Church  
 Mar. 6,7,8,9                      S.E. PA.                      open  
 Mar. 11 A.M. East Berlin, PA. Bermudian God's Missionary Church  
 Mar. 11 P.M. Elliotsburg, PA. Pleasant Valley Brethren in Christ Church  
 Mar. 12-13                      Northern VA.  
 Mar. 14-15                      North Carolina open  
 Mar. 16-20                      Atlanta, GA.  
 Mar. 21 Floral, DeFuniak Sprigs, FL. Christian Life Camp  
 Mar. 22-27                      Hobe Sound, FL.  
 Mar. 27 P.M. Orlando, FL.  
 Mar. 28 P.M. Helsinki, Finland  
 Mar. 29 Imatra, Finland  
 Mar. 30-31                      Vyborg, Russia (Lord willing!)

*This could be the year that Jesus comes for His own! Until then, please pray that our health will hold up as we travel from place to place.*

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