



# God's Commission Our Mission

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## UPG

(Unreached people groups)

*Nation considered unreached if there:*

*Less than 2% evangelical Christian*

*No Scripture on their language*

*No missionaries*

*No Churches*

*No national leaders*



## The Revival of Islam

*Some estimate that Muslims, already numbering more than 17 million in, could make up a majority in Russia by the end of the 21st century, not only because of their population growth, but also because of ethnic-Russian decline. The largest Muslim people groups are Tatars (6 million), Bashkirs (2 million), and Chechens (1.8 million), but there are also many Central Asians and peoples of the Caucasus Region that practice Islamic teachings. Of the many unreached people groups in Russia, more than 50 of them adhere to Islam. Approximately 20% of Muslims faithfully practice Islam, Thankfully some are turning to Christ, but the need is still great for consistent gospel proclamation among the Muslim people groups of Russia.*



## Our Family



*Last year we had many gifts from our Father! One of them was to come home to Sacramento, CA before Christmas and meet Olivia, our new granddaughter, who was born to our oldest son Emic and his wife Veronica. Also, we got to spend Christmas together with our kids and grandkids. Our youngest son Erik and his wife Jamie, who live in the Chicago area, were they only ones missing. **Please pray** for our sons and their families, that they will walk close to the Lord and serve Him,*



## The Father's House

When a new baby comes into the world, it's a miracle and joy to the family. How much greater joy it is to see the birth of a new church? A new church plant, "The Father's House" was started in April in Ufa, Russia. Since then, seven new believers have been baptized and joined the church. Praise the Lord

that He has opened up this new work in a new part of our city. **Please pray** that every believer will grow in their relationship with our Father and make disciples

At the end of September, within a new church a group of local Bashkir have started a service of their own. **Pray** that they wouldn't lose excitement, that they would be protected from the enemy's schemes to hinder them, and that they would continue to discover what it looks like to follow Jesus in their culture.



## Discipleship



Last year, there was a big celebration in heaven and in our new church, when two more people were baptized into a new church. R\*\*\*\* (from Bashkir background), who is widowed with two boys, moved to Ufa from A (a town 550 km a south of Bashkortostan). She got to know a former imam M and his wife G. We were discipling this couple and at the same time they were discipling R\*\*\*\*. Now she is also part of the Bashkir group in our new church.

G\*\*\*\* came to church as teenager with her uncle. She knew about God, but she didn't have a close relationship with Him. She got married to an unbeliever and when her daughter was born without the ability to breathe on her own, she got really scared and came to church again. In the church David met her and invited to our home group Bible study and she decided to give her life to Christ wholeheartedly. God answered her prayers and her daughter was healed, and is now doing well. Her husband is not a believer yet, but he is not against it.



**Please pray** for both of them, for their new journey, that they will be faithful to Christ and be a good testimony for their relatives. We have three groups during the week in our home. We are praising God for the place we can meet, that He is adding people and they are growing in His image.

### While at Home

*We are on Home Service until May. SEND International requires that we have 100% before releasing us to return to Russia for another 2*

*year term. To reach this goal, we still need 15 % of our support pledged. Right now, we are meeting with partners, and sharing more about how God is opening a new field of work in Bashkortostan. **Please pray** that God would open the hearts of churches and individuals to partner with us in this new work to which God has called us. We know that God is always faithful to us and He is the same every day. Praise God for His faithfulness!!!*

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