William Wood Missions to Russia Update August, 2018

In June, Andre turned 40. Here are some of his thoughts as he reflects on that milestone:

"June the 20th I turned 40. Well, I can just share some of my thoughts about this. 40 is such an amazing number in the Bible (it rained for 40 days during the Flood, for 40 years the Israelites wandered in the wilderness, Moses was on Mt Sinai twice for 40 days receiving the Commandments for the people of Israel, Jesus fasted for 40 days before the start of His ministry etc.) Some Bible scholars believe 40 is the number that means TESTING before a person can go up to a new level. I hope and pray that the Lord has been testing me and leading me unto a new level of understanding Him and His word. I thank God for every single day of my life and hope my life is pleasing to Him. I thank God for making me part of this ministry (this summer it has been 15 wonderful years of William Wood Mission to Russia). God is awesome!!!! HE is faithful!!! God's Word is being spread all over the world and in Komi Republic!!! To Him be all the GLORY!!!"

In July, Andre and his family went to Syktyvkar to visit with William. He continues to be taken care of by Maria the nurse. Overall, he has been stable. He has some ups and downs but overall his condition remains pretty much the same. Church folks from Syktyvkar and other places visit with him. Maria is such a wonderful nurse and host. She has him sit up in his new wheelchair. Pictured is a visit by believers from the Source of Life church. They played Christian music and William seemed to like it a lot.

The Don church continues gathering together every week to worship the Lord and study His Word. Last Sunday (August 5th) Pastor Andre delivered a message on the fear of God and honoring our parents.



After a church service earlier this summer, Andre noticed that there were quite a few Christian brothers sitting at the dining table. They are pictured below. Praise God for all the men, boys, women and girls of God willing to serve Him in Komi!



Andre and Simeon continue visiting a Christian couple living the village of Kekur. Peter and Luba are standing strong in their faith in God. They are trying to reach their community with God's word. Please pray for the village of Kekur so that God can save more people there. Below is a picture of the village.



Thank you for your continued support and prayers for the ministry!

Updates and pictures can be found on our *William Wood Missions to Russia* Facebook page and website: <u>http://www.wwmtor.org/</u>. If you would like to be involved financially with our Mission in the village of Don and the surrounding area, your donations can be mailed to: William Wood Missions to Russia, C/O Steve and Dianna Law, 1693 Township Road 1400 E, Gladstone, IL 61437.