

**Trip report from
Torzhok correctional boarding school,
from "Hope" orphanage in Tver region
and from the construction of the Rehabilitation Center**

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«Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil; cling to what is good» (Ro.12:9).

On February 28 a group of volunteers went to Zelyoni village, which is already well-known to us. From this boarding school, we already took two children, who are substantially mentally handicapped, into families.

The program was as always very busy: some interesting master classes, playing with children and interaction.



A highlight of the program was the performance of the "Russian bear" power team . They showed a spectacular show where huge nails were bent, pans were torn apart, and they testified about God. Everything went very well. The children wanted to interact to the degree that we couldn't leave for a long time ... These children are increasingly becoming closer to us. The volunteers are already asking when the next trip will be. We became friends so that they became like family" Natalia



On March 14 we ran a program called "Native American Day" at "Hope" orphanage, Tver region. There were about 15 school age children, to whom we told a Native American parable. The essence of this parable was that in each person lives good and evil dogs that are constantly at war with each other. The winner is the "dog" that is fed. On the question of what can be given as food the good dog, the answers were diverse. Some said good deeds, others good words, and someone joked «the best sausage». But there was one girl who said: «the most good in this world: Jesus».



On this basis, we talked a little bit with the children of God and His Word. Then there was a smoking and alcohol prevention program and we finished up reminding the children once again about the parable on the importance of feeding the good beginning with the Word of God and prayer.

We ask the Lord that He, by the Holy Spirit, would water those good seeds that were sown in the hearts of the children.



"The trip to the Hope orphanage was a wonderful and exciting time, our impressions of the trip were only positive! The staff were good-natured and the atmosphere there was warm and homely. The children were kind and open to chatting with us, they were happy to participate in everything. I'd like to go back there! I would like to say thank you to the organizers of this "Native American Day" program, - it was very important for the children." Svetlana



The construction of our rehabilitation center continues.



The septic tank at the house



The septic tank apparatus

The septic tank has been installed, the well has been deepened and ten bunk beds have been transported to the centre and set up. We are currently working on the water supply and plumbing. We decided to postpone the move to the new house until May, when we will have finished the main work that needs to be done.



We'd like to thank everyone, from the bottom of our hearts, who has helped us in this ministry. May God supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus!

Many blessings in the Resurrected Lord!