

25 Although the summer is far behind us now, follow up ministry continues among children who attended SGA-sponsored camp ministry between June and August. Please pray that God will continue His work in the hearts of all the boys and girls who heard the Gospel presented.

26 Pray for SGA's board of directors, chaired by Warner Tillman. Pray also for the boards of SGA's international offices in Canada, New Zealand, Australia and the United Kingdom.

27 **The Lord's Day:** *When they had appointed elders for them in every church, having prayed with fasting, they commended them to the Lord in whom they had believed (Acts 14:23).* As you worship today, pray for the new churches planted across the CIS over the past year. May the Lord strengthen them and grant numerous opportunities for the Gospel in their local regions.

28 Pray for the SGA-sponsored *Antioch Initiative* across Russia. Please especially continue to intercede for our newest developing *Antioch* location in Pskov, asking for God's blessing on the pastoral and ministry training that is beginning.

29 As these challenging economic times continue around the globe, please pray for SGA's financial health and strength. So much remains to be done across the lands of Russia, where so many have yet to hear of Christ's love.

30 **Reflection:** Let us conclude November with the prophet Jeremiah's praise of our God and King . . . *A glorious throne on high from the beginning is the place of our sanctuary. O Lord, the hope of Israel, all who forsake You will be put to shame . . .* (Jeremiah 17:12, 13).

Please pray for those who co-labor with SGA in serving the evangelical churches of the Commonwealth of Independent States.

Partner Prayer Requests

- Pray for swift healing from a broken leg . . .* Greenwood, Indiana
- I'm suffering from arthritis pain . . .* Tualatin, Oregon
- Pray for my home country . . . lots of violence and corruption . . .* Astoria, New York
- Please lift up loved ones struggling with illness . . .* Tucson, Arizona
- For loved ones trapped in a cult . . . pray for salvation . . .* Richton Park, Illinois
- Pray for us as we move to a new location . . .* Burleson, Texas
- An unspoken request . . .* Brookville, Pennsylvania

The SGA staff is honored to bring your requests to the Lord. We thank you for the opportunity to serve you in this way.



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“Much Prayer, Much Power!”

— Peter Deyneka Sr., SGA Founder

Prayer & Praise



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Join us each day this month in prayer and praise for the work of Christ in the lands of Russia.



Serving Churches — Reaching Russia . . .

Monthly Prayer Focus

Please intercede in advance this month for upcoming SGA-sponsored Christmas ministries for children. This is the most important time of the year for evangelism across the lands of Russia.

2011 November Prayer & Praise

1 Reflection: We begin this new month with the wonderful prayer of the psalmist — a prayer echoed by true Christians throughout the world . . . *O send out Your light and Your truth, let them lead me; let them bring me to Your holy hill and to Your dwelling places* (Psalm 43:3).

2 Pray today for SGA president Bob Provost, who is scheduled to attend the IFCA International board meeting plus other ministry-related travel. Pray that God will make him a blessing and encouragement to our brothers and sisters.

3 SGA's professor of Bible, Dr. Roman Dechtiarenko, will be teaching in Belarus plus attending an SGA/UK conference this month. Pray for safety in travel, while also praying in advance for the Lord's anointing on Roman's classes with his students.

4 Please pray for Dr. Nick Porubev, director of SGA/Australia. In addition to his oversight of our Australia office, Nick also conducts extensive training for Russian pastors on the subject of cults and false religions, which are a growing problem across the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS).

5 The SGA-sponsored *Orphans Reborn* ministry is reaching thousands of lonely, forgotten children across the CIS with the love of Christ and the life-changing Gospel. Intercede in prayer that God will increase provision for this vital outreach, as the need is enormous.



6 The Lord's Day: *And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or farms for My name's sake, will receive many times as much, and will inherit eternal life* (Matthew 19:29). As you worship today, remember the many missionary pastors across Russia serving in remote, isolated regions such as Siberia and the Arctic North. We praise God for His faithfulness in provision for these faithful brothers and their families.

7 Human rights groups are concerned about further government crackdowns against religious organizations in Azerbaijan. New, restrictive registration laws would pose a significant obstacle to evangelical churches if finally adopted. Please lift this troubling situation in prayer before the Lord.

8 Pray for Pastor Alexei Smirnov, president of the Russian Union of Evangelical Christians-Baptists (UECB). Ask God to grant him wisdom and direction as he represents Russia's largest evangelical church fellowship in the public spotlight.

9 We praise and thank the Lord for SGA's Kiev Regional Ministry Center (RMC) staff, led by Sergei Gladishko. Sergei and his team count it a tremendous privilege to serve and encourage the evangelical churches of Ukraine — for the sake of the Gospel.

10 Please pray for all the vital SGA-sponsored seminaries and Bible institutes in the CIS, and for our exciting new training initiative in Israel for the leaders of Russian-speaking house groups and led by Dr. Oleg Korotky, the former president of Almaty Bible Institute in Kazakhstan.



11 Join us in thanksgiving to the Lord for His provision of Russian-language Bibles and biblically sound Christian literature for distribution in the CIS. We are also thankful for our faithful partners whose generous gifts help keep ample stocks available.

12 There are many faithful missionary pastor/church-planters that still need sponsors across the lands of Russia, including the Republic of Georgia and Turkmenistan. Lift this important need before the Lord, asking God to raise up more partners willing to help these men take the Gospel to unreached regions.

13 The Lord's Day: *For such is the will of God that by doing right you may silence the ignorance of foolish men* (1 Peter 2:15). Even during the years of persecution under the

communists, believers in Russia were often secretly admired for their Holy Spirit-molded character and righteous living. As you worship today, please remember those living in regions where oppression and persecution remain severe.

14 Pray for Rev. Allan Vincent, director of SGA/Canada. Allan maintains a very busy travel and ministry schedule, making churches across Canada aware of the great opportunities that exist today across the CIS.

15 Russia as a country is so vast that the UECB elects faithful pastors to serve as regional presbyters with oversight responsibilities in their oblasts (states) or krajs (territories). Please lift these dedicated brothers in prayer today, asking the Lord to grant them wisdom and anointing in their ministries.

16 In addition to being part of active youth groups in their churches, believing Russian teenagers and young adults are encouraged to engage in fruitful ministry. Pray for these groups, especially that God will open many opportunities for them to reach their peers with the Gospel.

17 Lift Russian UECB vice president Eugene Bakhmutsky in prayer today. Also pray for the seven regional vice presidents who serve alongside Eugene and UECB president Alexei Smirnov.



18 Join us in praising the Lord for the ongoing ministries of SGA's senior missionaries — Ruth Deyneka Erdel, Florence Daneliuk and Andrew Semenchuk, as well as Nick and Rose Leonovich. We are thankful for their decades of service to Christ, and the inspiration they continue to be in their respective ministries.

19 Pray today for the SGA-sponsored International Bible Institute of Ukraine (IBIU). Operated in conjunction with Odessa

Theological Seminary, IBIU helps prepare missionaries for foreign evangelistic ministry, especially in the Muslim-dominated nations of Central Asia.

20 The Lord's Day: *But we are not like many, peddling the Word of God, but as from sincerity, but as from God, we speak in Christ in the sight of God* (2 Corinthians 2:17). Across the CIS, there are many false teachers through whom the enemy is attempting to deceive the untaught and unwary. As you worship on this Sunday, intercede for Bible-preaching churches as they proclaim biblical truth.

21 As winter deepens in Russia and her neighboring nations, the need for humanitarian aid for poor families and individuals increases markedly. Ask the Lord to provide funds to help local evangelical churches purchase and distribute aid as needed — and that openings for the Gospel will be created.



22 SGA continues to receive powerful testimonies from men and women reached for Christ through church-based, Bible-based drug rehab ministries across the CIS. Join us in praising and thanking the Lord for His power to deliver lost, hurting people from bondage to sin.

23 Please pray today for all support staff at SGA's headquarters in Loves Park, Illinois. From our mailroom/warehouse, accounting or in information technology — all our team are united in the desire to see men, women and children across the lands of Russia come to saving faith in Christ.

24 Thanksgiving Day: *Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful* (Colossians 3:15). As we reflect on God's blessings over the past year, we indeed have much for which to thank Him. Join us in praise and worship of our Lord today.