

## *Rejoice in HIM!*



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## Dear Friends and Loved Ones,

We are now in South Florida where we can only dream of a white Christmas like this recent photo from our home in Vyborg, Russia. In many ways, our hearts are still in Russia as we are about to enter our 27th year ministering to many needy people there. In Russia, New Year's Day will come a week before Christmas. Celebrating New Year's Day is the great secular holiday while Christmas is a holy day the birthday of Jesus!





While in America, we still keep in touch with the Christian Center and the mailing ministries to prisoners all across Russia. The photo on the left is of the autumn meeting of the mailing ministries volunteers, and this is not all of them! The outreach continues to grow this year, sometimes reaching 400 prisoners each month.

While we were settling into our apartment in Florida, the manager and leader of our Christian Center in Vyborg, Aleksander Tarasov, got married! His beautiful bride is named Tanya. Here are photos from their November wedding.





On the left is a photo of Judy playing the piano for our last Wednesday meeting in the Christian Center, along with Natasha's 2-year-old daughter, Vera.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE CHRISTIAN WORKERS AND MINISTRIES OF THE VYBORG CHRISTIAN CENTER. WISHING YOU ALL A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS AND A MOST BLESSED NEW YEAR!