

## **The Harbor...anchoring lives, launching hope**

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Vanya and Andrei, two of our Harbor participants, came from summer practice working in a camp for three weeks. Luba noticed upon their return how happy they were to see everyone because they had missed the Harbor. The Harbor is a family to our residents and graduates. On an annual basis, we notice that more of our residents and graduates are considering the Harbor to be their home and family. Misha, Dima and Igor are still in the camp practicing. They will be back in St. Petersburg in August.

Four of our participants, Gosha, Sasha, Vanya, and Sasha, have found jobs. It took some time to do that. They shared their struggles and difficulties. They observed that it is hard to find job, but easy to loose it. **Pray that they would be responsible at their new jobs and be protected from evil and the negative stigma against orphans.**

This year Sasha S. went to a Christian camp. There he found new Christian friends, who have invited Sasha to go to church with them. He does go to the church with great enthusiasm and excitement. Unfortunately, he is not going there for spirituality, but to hang out with his new friends whom he needs desperately. The more Christian influence he gets the sooner he will be open to accept Christ into his heart. **Please pray as he spends time with his new Christian friends that he would give his life to Christ.**

Sasha P. rented out his room in a communal apartment. His renters, however, have run up a utility bill debt of \$300. In addition, his room needs major renovation and we need to find new people that would rent out his room. Due to this incident, he has learned and matured a lot. Now he knows that he must check on his renters on a monthly basis and not once a year. Luba went to his communal apartment. She spoke with his neighbors and now we hope that everything will be safe. **Pray for Sasha's continual growth, especially spiritually.**

The girls are working also and they are being paid and learning the value of money. They are learning a good lesson. Anastasia, our graduate, came to Luba and donated some of her salary to the Harbor as a contribution. She said that she deeply cares for the Harbor and wants to help others to become like her. **Pray that more of our graduates would care for many other orphans who are lost and forgotten.**

Luba was asked to help Katya "graduate" from an orphanage #11. This year she completed her studies at vocational school #70. Unfortunately, upon her graduation she had nowhere to go. Thus, Luba agreed with the orphanage director that the Harbor would provide room and board for the summer. We had hoped that we could help her in the long run by inviting her to become a full-time resident. We helped her to find a job, but 5 days later, she was fired. Katya has a problem academically that greatly affects her life. In addition, we found out that orphanage #11 is for special needs orphans. Katya is not willing to cooperate or work. She withdrew \$250 from her bank account by lying to Luba. She spent the money in less than two hours for random items. This money was set to buy furniture for her future apartment. Luba's heart aches for Katya and she wants to help her, but how do you help someone who does not want your help or is not willing to work toward successful integration. Luba realizes that if Katya will not be at the Harbor as full-time resident then in a year she will be lost and forgotten. We cannot force her to

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be at the Harbor. Please pray for wisdom and guidance for Luba. Pray for Katya's heart and desire to change, grow and cooperate. Pray for an awakening.



On the right corner: Larry dear friend and partner of the Harbor visiting the ministry in August 07.

On the left corner second: Stephen has been working with the Harbor as a volunteer.

Luba is sitting with Harbor's current resident and graduates Oxana and Anastasia.

Let us more and more insist on raising funds of love, of kindness, of understanding, of peace. Money will come if we seek first the Kingdom of God - the rest will be given.

**~Mother Teresa**

Let us not be satisfied with just giving money. Money is not enough, money can be got, but they need your hearts to love them. So, spread your love everywhere you go.

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Thank you for your faithful partnership, eternal investment, earnest prayer support and immeasurable love with kindness.

Love, the Harbor & Alex

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