

## UPCOMING MINISTRY EVENTS

**October 1:** We are hosting an Art of Renewal webinar that will help School Without Walls (SWW) leaders and others learn practical ways to maintain mental, physical, and spiritual health in their ministry work.

**October 15:** We will be hosting a webinar on generosity and fundraising for a team of SWW coordinators.

**October 22:** Our leaders will be holding a Family as Mission initiative web event.

## YOUR PRAYERS ARE CHANGING LIVES!

In recent weeks, Mission Eurasia's School Without Walls (SWW) program has begun life-transforming training of 2,000 young people in 13 post-Soviet countries and Israel.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this has not been a typical year for our SWW program. But by the end of September, we had begun training students in 44 locations throughout Eurasia. This includes 1,100 students in face-to-face classes and 900 others studying online amid pandemic regulations and in remote areas that are closed to the gospel.

Sergey (pictured) is one of SWW's success stories!

He is 27 and is now active in Reconciliation Church in Bobruisk, Belarus. There, he has been studying at SWW. While Sergey grew up in a Christian home, he went through a time during and after his years of military service when he turned away from God. But through his church and SWW training, he learned what it truly meant to have a relationship with Christ.

"During this training, I realized that I knew so little about God, church, society, and even myself," he said. "The SWW seminars helped me fill in the gaps in my faith. After completing my studies, I felt prepared to serve the Lord and others."



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## PRAYER GUIDE

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"Pray without ceasing."  
1 Thessalonians 5:17

**1** Please continue to pray for our 2020-2021 School Without Walls (SWW) program. Pray for SWW leaders today as they will be leading an Art of Renewal web conference.

**2** Pray for the Lord's mercy on the people of Belarus as they are coming out of a tense political crisis. Pray for SWW leaders who are working hard to keep ministry projects going despite setbacks.

**3** Pray for Sergei, a SWW ministry partner in Kazakhstan. He was in the hospital for a month with pneumonia and nearly died. He is doing better, but is still in the hospital recovering.

**4** Pray for the wife of our national coordinator in Kazakhstan who has pancreatitis. Also, please pray for his own dental health and his mother who is undergoing chemotherapy. Pray for his sister who will be giving birth in October.

**5** We received a request from Christians in Kazakhstan, where courts have continued to rule against church leaders. Authorities have taken away their buildings, personal property, and charged their teams with various crimes. Pray that Christian lawyers will be able to defend them in court.

**6** Pray for our ministry team in Georgia for God's will be done during the parliamentary elections that will be held there later this month. Specifically lift up SWW graduates who will be organizing an evangelism conference there that focuses on sharing the gospel.

**7** Pray for our SWW coordinator's children in Georgia, that they would draw closer to God.

**8** Please pray for the two SWW groups in Armenia. Pray for the teachers who began their responsibilities in September.

**9** Please pray for Slava, a SWW coordinator in Kazakhstan, and his family who were expecting the birth of a daughter at the end of September.

**10** We have a praise report from Perm, Russia. The evangelism team, which is made up of SWW students and graduates, recently returned from a boat trip up the Ob River in Siberia. They visited three villages and handed out 49 Bibles, *Light* magazines, and shared the gospel with many people.

**11** Please pray that the seeds sown by our ministry teams in Russia, where many Christians struggle to live out their faith, will grow, and that the people there will come to know Christ as their Lord and Savior.

**12** Pray for the young people and children who participated in summer day camps in the North Caucasus region and made decisions for Christ. Pray for their spiritual growth and daily walk with God.

**13** Pray for SWW leaders in eastern Ukraine who continue to take needed supplies to those who are poor and seeking hope as they struggle to make ends meet.

**14** Pray for a pastor and his church in the North Caucasus that has been impacted by COVID-19. Pray that church members who have been ill will recover quickly and that the number of infected will go down.

**15** Pray for our leaders as they host an online seminar focusing on generosity and fundraising for a team of SWW coordinators.

**16** Praise the Lord for new ministry opportunities that are opening up in the Tuvan People's Republic, where the work can be extremely challenging.

**17** Pray for one of our leaders who will be starting his studies soon at TCM International Institute. "Please pray that I would do well in my studies and they would serve well for my future ministries."

**18** Please pray for SWW to be effective in Primorsky Krai, located in the Far East region of Russia. Pray for the churches and their ministry.

**19** Pray for our coordinator in Primorsky Krai, who asked for prayer for his children. His son is teaching at an international school; another son will become a father in a month; and his daughter will complete her residency. Pray that they all will make time for ministry.

**20** Praise the Lord for the opportunity to translate approximately 80 hours of crucial teaching and written materials for Christian educators from Russian to Ukrainian. This material will be used in a four-session training course. Please pray that the finished product will gain official approval.

**21** Please continue to pray for believers in Mongolia who are developing new strategies for reaching remote areas of their country. Ask the Lord to give them wisdom and perseverance in their work.

**22** Pray for team leaders who will hold an online web event entitled *Family as Mission*.

**23** Pray that SWW leaders in Israel will reach non-Christian young people who come from broken families and who need a Christian to show them a new direction for their life.

**24** Please pray for an upcoming special service in Pinsk, Belarus this month. This church will celebrate its 7th anniversary. Pray that the Holy Spirit would work in the hearts of both believers and non-believers.

**25** Continue praying for Christians in Central Asia who are enduring persecution for their faith in Christ.

**26** Continue to pray for our SWW teams as they continue to implement social-distancing guidelines and for the health of those involved in this strategic and critical training.

**27** Pray for our iCare program representatives as they continue to build relationships and meet needs among the Roma people (gypsies). Pray their hearts will be open to the gospel.

**28** Pray for the team in Israel who want to establish a home in Rishon LeZion, Israel, where Jewish young people can live together in Christian community. Pray it will be a place where people from other countries can stay and that all the details will fall into place.

**29** Pray that the youth ministry in Belarus will grow and reach non-Christians. Leaders plan to rent a building right in the center of their city and hold different outreach activities for relationships to be built and the gospel to be shared.

**30** Continue praying that God would expand our Family as Mission ministry in Ukraine.

**31** Pray that believers in Russia will continue to stand up for their faith even as they endure persecution in their country.



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