



My Name Is Vitya



My name is Vitya. There are five people in my family: mother, stepfather (he is not living with my mother), younger sister and grandmother.

About seven years ago after I got into bad company I started spending a lot of time on the streets and less and less time at home. Then I got into another company where I learned how to sniff stuff, drink booze, smoke, beg people for money or food. We were living in the basements and then in Kupchino. My mom she worried about me and scolds me for running away from home.

Once, friends of mine told me about Olga and invited me to go to Victory church with them. We had a good time there. We were

reading the Bible, playing ping-pong, eating there. So I liked to go there after all.

Around four years ago I met Kent and Todd at Victory church. I remember how they gave us some coats and boots.

After a while they told us that they bought a house in Nikolskoe and they invited us to come over there. I was helping in building of a new addition to the house and I really enjoyed doing that.

When we finished with the addition I started visiting the house regularly. I liked the house and being there and then I was offered to live at the house. I agreed with

a pleasure and started living at the Restoration House. Every morning we did exercises, read the bible, did our chores around the house and of course we still do all of that today. In our free time we go out and play soccer with our local friends.

Now I can see big changes in my life. I have some new friends now and also I have a normal life. I quit living on the streets and I quit using drugs. And more of that, now I'm learning to be a good mechanic and me and my Christian partner Alexey we are planning to build our own garage and we want to develop our business in the future. (Please pray for our success in this business we've started- car-fixing station.)





All of that couldn't come true but for Kent, Todd, Olga and all of you who help us! Thank you for your help and care! We love you!

Tell everyone hello! And if you want to send us a letter please, feel free to do this. We would be very glad to respond to you.

Kent and Todd, come sooner! We miss you all!!! Bye!

In this letter from Vitya he takes all the blame for the way his life has been through the years. Most of the guys do because they don't wish to divulge all the personal details of their family.

Olga has told us enough about Vitya to know that things were difficult at home and that he felt compelled to run to the streets for whatever reason after his mother remarried.

Olga has told us that Vitya would often visit Restoration House, eat well and become strong and then

when his bruises would heal and he had some nice clothes, he would tell her that he now had to go and visit his mother and grandmother. Olga told us that he wanted to prove to his mother that he was doing fine.

After only a few days and sometimes only hours, he would leave home and make his way back to Kupchino instead of returning to Restoration House. Olga speculates that things at home would become difficult and that Vitya would run back to the "family" he could trust...the street kids.

It has taken time, but now Vitya has made the choice to call Restoration House his home. Although the street still pulls at him and he has had the urge to bolt for a day or two, he always returns home and he no longer sniffs glue or drinks.

Olga recently wrote, "Yesterday Vitya went with Alexey (a mechanic from New Generation church) to working place. They put away old layer of paint from one car and next week they going to fix a car together. Vitya is really happy that now he has a job. Vitya and Zhenya will go to the city to bring bread tomorrow. And also they'll go to get Vitya's new passport."



It is truly amazing to watch the hand of God at work on behalf of these guys. While in a recent staff meeting, Todd was sharing the vision that we have to find Christian businessmen and women who will have a desire to teach our guys a skill and help them find jobs.

After only about twenty minutes of discussion, we were interrupted by a phone call. The man on the other end introduced himself as being a member from the church where our guys enjoy attending. He told us that he had an idea and would like to come right over and discuss it with us.

Within about fifteen minutes Alexey was sitting at our table telling the staff his idea to mentor any of the guys at Restoration House in the skill of auto repair and auto body repair. He knew nothing about our vision, but the Holy Spirit was speaking to his heart. Hallelujah!

Together, we *ARE* making a difference...

Together, we *ARE* reaching the world for Jesus!

If you would like to E-mail the guys: russia@Micaiah.org

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We have had to make a last minute decision to send Todd Murphy to Russia from January 1 - 26 to take care of some structure repair challenges that need immediate attention at Restoration House. Kent Wilson will continue with ministry in the United States.

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January 25
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February 1
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While the unit was being installed the guys sent us a wordless message... "It's cold." They are a bunch of characters.

It won't be cold anymore, but we need your help to stock up on our wood and coal supply for the winter.

Last year our fuel bill was over \$1,000 each month from September through May. Thanks to our wonderful partners we now have a wood/coal furnace installed in the shed with underground hot water pipes to the house.



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You won't need to run. No one is chasing you. The Lord God of Israel will lead and protect you from enemy attacks.

--Isaiah 52:12



Left: Another wordless message... "We need boots."
Right: They got them, "Thumbs up!"
Thanks to our wonderful partners.



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