

A LIFE TRANSFORMED...

When Svetlana brought her daughter Veronika to talk to us about camp last year I had mixed feelings. On one hand, Of course, I was excited for her to go. On the other hand, however, Veronika was so shy and introverted, that I was afraid I would have to bring her home.

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My fears were unfounded however. Even though at first she was closed and didn't want to talk about spiritual things, as camp progressed she blossomed, as she allowed God to speak to her heart. Veronika also invited a friend to camp and they both actively participated in all of the activities and made lots of new friends.

AFTER CAMP

After camp Veronika started to come faithfully to church, even without her mom, and also offered to help Debbie at Sunday School. Since she started volunteering in the children's ministry, I invited Veronika to take a course on



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“Effective Teaching of Children”, especially focusing on how to prepare lessons for children, who don't yet know Christ and how to lead them to faith.

To my amazement Veronika agreed and showed great commitment to complete all of her training, including 3 trips to the capital for evaluations.

Just recently Veronika, her mom and brother joined our church. All of them are actively serving in various roles. What amazes me the most, is how Veronika shows initiative, often coming to me or Debbie with “how can I help?”

PREPARATION OF A LEADER

In a year's period of time she went from a shy and very closed teenager to a real young leader, who leads by example. Oh, by the way, this year she is going to camp as a mentor of younger girls who are just now stepping on a path of faith.



PRAY FOR OUR MANY CAMPS!

This month we are starting a season of several Children and Youth Camps in both Estonian and Russian languages:

First — Sports and Bible camp led by an Olympic runner from our church (**June 17-19**), followed by Childrens' Camp (**June 29-Jul 3**), then Young Adults' Camp (**July 20-26**), MusicJam Camp (**Aug 4-9**) and Teen Camp (**August 17-23**) with other 3 Family camps in between!!! Please pray for campers and volunteers!



Almost every week this summer we have camps for various ages, and despite a lot of work, we see God transform lives at camp and bring children and teens closer to Him!

HOW YOU CAN HELP:

As always there are students that need some financial help to be able to go to camp.

If you would like to **sponsor a student**, please let me know. All donations will go toward students going to camp.

\$75 will sponsor 1 student for a week of camp, but of course, you can give a gift of any amount!

Just recently we were delighted to welcome **6 new members** of our church, and they are already stepping up to serve.

Please pray for them and several others who are preparing to join as well.

For Souls in Estonia,
Vladimir and Debbie Lukyanov



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