Brenna Engle Foundation Update - June, 2012

Dear friends,

Paul concludes his prayer for the Ephesians (3:20) describing God the Father as: "him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us." We continue to rely on His strength for us to accomplish the purposes to which He calls us.

We are thankful that in 2011, the second apartment became available to us in Lutsk. In June, we added our fourth new child in the last nine months. His name is Dimitrik (Dima) and he is 7 years old. We referred to him in our last update. Dima has been in boarding school, and cannot read or write, but seems to be very intelligent. With some summer tutoring, he will be starting regular school in the fall. This is Dima, one picture alone and one with other children from Brenna's Home (I. to r. front, Dima, Yulia, Pavel; rear, Lilya, Sasha, Valeria)



Valya's daughter, Ilona, who is now helping at Brenna's Home, sent us pictures of she and the girls making 150 varenyky (pierogies)! Ilona is also helpful for translating when we use Skype to communicate with Brenna's Home.



Significant progress has been made toward completion of the project to enlarge the balconies and build the connecting staircase. This should be done by the end of July. The picture below (left) shows the completed 3rd floor balcony. The picture below (right) show the remaining work on the 2nd floor. The blue lines are heating coils which get built into the floor. This is very common in Ukraine. The staircase is visible in the back (and is already being used).



While we are committed to providing for the physical and emotional wellbeing of each of these children in Brenna's Home, we are also committed to their spiritual well-being. During June, we were informed that Sasha (14) desired a personal relationship and asked Jesus into her heart as Savior. Also, on June 24th, Vanya and Vasya were baptized during a service along with 5 others. Baptism services in Ukraine are always a special day, and you can see that from the three pictures below.



Vasya baptized by Pastor Victor



Vasya, Pastor Victor, and Vanya

The children from Brenna's Home with Vala (Yura and Valeria were absent)



We hope that you rejoice with us, as each of the children come to Brenna's Home and learn to find their way in life in Ukraine. Pray that they will be able to overcome the obstacles that were placed in their lives during the early years. Also, continue to pray that they also will understand Ephesians 3:20 and come to each realize the power of God to work in their lives "beyond what they can imagine".

Thank you each for your continued prayers and support. May you be blessed as you bless us and His children!

In His Love, Rich and Donna

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