

Siberia Field Report

July 2021

The Siberia field has some major reasons to be praising God. A new couple accepted to our team. Frankie's residency permit application was finally accepted. And ministry opportunities abound despite COVID. Our team's focus continues to be discipleship among the Tuvan and Buryat people, with our ears peeled for opportunities to disciple Russians toward cross-cultural ministry. The latter focus is one that I pray that our team will be able to develop in the years ahead, but I recognize that if we want to do it on a bigger scale than 1-on-1 discipleship it will require a bigger team. For now, we remain faithful in the ministries that we are in, investing in fellowships of local believers with the goal of engaging them in thinking about, praying for, and going to some of the hundreds of unreached villages and towns in Siberia.

People

Shawna Hess: active in discipling women, serving in local fellowship, serving others through hospitality and midwifery.

Frankie and Ira Emrick: leading the Praise Workshop, Frankie's documents accepted for residency permit after 1+ year wait for documents from the U.S.

Lucas and Jamie Orner: field leadership, administration, encouraging Tuvan leaders, discipling Russian and Tuvans in Krasnoyarsk

Pipeline: Micah Costanzo and Georgie will be wed on July 31st. They were accepted to InterAct in May. They both have a desire to serve in discipleship and will begin raising support part-time after their wedding. After 10-12 months they will be re-interviewed as a couple and then released to the field after training and support raising is completed. They will land in Krasnoyarsk for language study and applying for residency permits.

Prayer and Praise

- A new couple joining our team! Praise the Lord and continue to pray for more workers!
- COVID may have closed some ministry travels, but needs and opportunities continue to be available.
- Please pray for favor in the eyes of the immigration officials as Frankie's residency permit application is processed over the next few months.
- Our team will be gathering the last weekend of July. Pray for sweet fellowship and encouragement and that God would give us wisdom in planning and discussing ideas for the future.

Joyfully Serving Christ!

Lucas Orner

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