

Newsletter of the Eurasian Missionary College

Preparing national church planters and missionaries for Tatarstan, Russia and Central Asia
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Open house

From 2-4 May, the College had an "open house" for Pastors from Tajikistan and the Northern Caucuses. We acquainted our visitors with the work of college, presenting our vision and plans for the future in a video presentation. The Pastors remembered the trips by our students and staff to Axubaevo where we do regular practical work as part of the College training. Our visitors prayed together with the students, shared new ideas and their Christian experience. They were impressed with the work of EMC, and have decided to direct students to the college in 2005-2006 academic year.



Presenting the work of EMC

Final Practice

The final practice for the academic year took place at the end of May in Menzelinsk. A feature of this practice is that not only students and tutors, but also all interested employees of EMC attend. It reminds us once again that we all participate in the common ministry of sharing the gospel. Despite the short duration, it was an eventful few days. We did personal evangelism, put on an evangelistic concert, participated in the Sunday worship of our host church, did a puppet play at an orphanage, and met with young people. Certainly it was sad for all of us because it was the last chance to all meet together and pray to the Lord together before graduation the following week.



The Final Practice

The Graduation party

One more academic year has ended at EMC. Graduation was held on 4 June, after the presentation of diplomas. Pastors from different cities in Russia and the Commonwealth of Independent States attended to bless and hearten the young missionaries. Graduates then immediately left to go on to their ministries. Friends, please uphold these young servants of the Lord in your prayers, because it will not be easy for them to minister in Muslim regions of Tajikistan, Tatarstan and the Caucuses.

Our team at EMC have a special experience every graduation during these difficult farewell minutes. Each of students has come into our life for a year, and they will stay in our hearts forever. May God bless them in ministry!

This day was also filled with some sadness for the students. They told us many warm and sincere words: "I'll never forget this college. I've understood here in the right way what is a successful Christian, and that it is important for growth in the Christian life to have a mentor. Thanks to the teachers and mentors as I now know what is missionary work and what it means to belong to a missionary team. Thanks everyone, who works in this college!" - *said graduate Bahtiyor.*



The Pastorate Blessing

Prayer needs

- For the graduates ministry in Russia and Asia
- That the College will receive an academic institution license
- For the entrance campaign for the 2005-2006 academic year
- Financing for the new academic year.

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