

# Eurasian Missionary College

Preparing national church planters and missionaries for Russia and Central Asia

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Getting to know the locals in Chistopol!

## Field Placements

Usually each of our field placements follow a similar pattern. In the first practicum our students make friends with non-believers and then in the following practica build on their relationships to create opportunities for evangelism.

However in the first practicum in Chistopol, our student Zarif befriended a local nonbeliever, and in the course of the time there built up the relationship and prayed for him. And in that practicum God answered his prayer - his friend came to Christ.



Zarif between two friends from Chistopol

In Aksubaevo, as we have already written, our students came up against some difficulties with the police. For a whole day they were held at the police station and interrogated in different rooms. God often uses different situations to open new doors for the Gospel. We want to tell you of one interesting conversation that one of our students had with the police. She was very tired and upset and so asked the policeman why they were treating them this way. The policeman answered, "It is God who is giving you a trial to test how you are able to

endure it. Besides, if this hadn't have happened, how could we then have heard about God"? It was amazing to hear these words from the mouth of an unbeliever. Praise God that the situation was resolved and the students were able to stay to the end of the practicum in Aksubaevo. For the remainder of their time they were able to evangelise both the children's home and the school.

## The Bachelor Program

At the end of March in Kazan we held our regular session of the Bachelor program for graduates from Russia and Uzbekistan. Graduates undertook two courses: "A godly view of finances" and "A study of an Old Testament book, the Psalms". To each student, God revealed something new during this time. We were really excited to see our graduates once again and to have the opportunity of fellowshipping with them and encouraging them.

## A trip to the Caucasus



Denis and Vasya - lecturers at our College - went for a week to the Caucasus, to Kabardino-Balkar and Ossetia. In Nalchik (capital of Kabardino-Balkar) they ran a seminar for several churches on working with Muslims. After that they went for two days to the town of Vladikavkas in Northern Ossetia to visit and encourage our graduates Roma and Daniel, who live there.

## Prayer Points

- ?? Please pray for our next set of students, that God will show to the right people His desire for them to study here.
- ?? And please continue to pray that we will receive our license.

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