

# SUPPORT FOR OUR SISTER CONGREGATION IN ST. PETERSBURG, RUSSIA

## With the upcoming Silent Auction & Bake Sale on November 20, 2011

It's a good time to communicate with you about the many ways St. Petri, our sister church, uses our \$5000 annual gift!



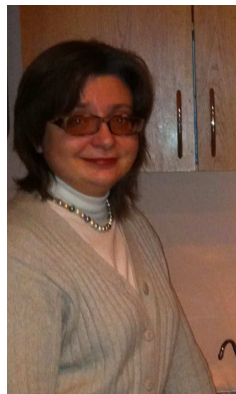
Pastor Zierold expressed heartfelt thanks on behalf of the congregation...they don't know what they would do without Grace's generosity.



St. Petri is thrilled to have Irina Roslova who not only manages the office but also interprets the pastor's sermons. She speaks both German and English and earns only \$500 a month. (The turnover in church positions is great, because the church cannot afford to pay the kind of salaries businesses pay)



St. Petri's new outreach is focused on AIDS. The "Gamma+" project supports families, often single mothers, with HIV positive children. When school started they had a little party for the kids and they were given items they needed for school.



In November Inna, the Youth and Children's Leader, who earns \$250 a month, will lead a special Bible Week for Children on the theme "Treasures on Earth and Treasures in Heaven." Some of our gift will go to finance that project, including meals for the entire week. Under Inna's leadership a youth group is growing - refreshments and materials are needed for them as well as the Sunday School kids.



St. Petri has also engaged Elena Kurmyshova, a counselor who visits HIV patients in the hospital, mostly patients who have no family or have a dysfunctional family and are left to cope alone. Elena gets \$400 a month and a little money to buy some food and toiletries for her patients.

**Let us remember in our prayers** Irina and Inna and Elena and Pastor Zierold and all those they serve in times of joy and times of affliction. Let us feel joy and gratitude that we are given the opportunity to help these bothers and sisters in some small, but very necessary and appreciated way.

# **RUSSIA SILENT AUCTION & Bake Sale**

to benefit St. Peter & Anne Congregation in St. Petersburg

**Sunday, November 20 from 10:15-11:00 a.m.**

Please, **DONATE** to the auction  
[by November 13th](#)

## **Suggested Donations**

(All items must be new, except for antiques/collectibles.)

Hand-crafted items: painting, framed photograph, quilts, etc.

Services: baby-sitting, yard work, guided tour, etc.

Events: tickets to a show  
BBQ/dinner/lunch at your home  
use of a vacation condo/house  
boat cruise, flight, etc.

Gift certificates, gift baskets, books,  
Christmas & gift items, CDs

## [Baked goods for the Bake Sale](#)

Please complete one form for each item donated  
and place completed form(s) in mailbox marked RUSSIA PARTNERSHIP  
Donation forms may be found on the counter by Jane's desk.

If you wish to donate cash instead of an item, issue the check  
to Grace Lutheran Church and mark it "Russia Auction"

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