



March and April, 2013

Dear friends,

1 Peter 5:6-7 says "Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you." A couple of things that we can take away from these verses:

1) If we want to be "lifted up", we must humble ourselves. "Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant..." But also, to realize this is all about God's timing, and not our own. *Humility and patience are Spirit-cultivated.*

2) It's easy to get weighed down by our own anxiety. I get anxious about Brenna's Home and what we commit to do in Ukraine-especially this year, with Valya being sick, uneasiness about having enough people to run the summer camp, or the finances to do camp and Brenna's Home. Add to that using a different airline, possibly not having all of our "routine connections" available as we travel, and an aversion to change - here is when I need to realize that I must cast aside (consciously throw away) these things that demonstrate my lack of trust in Him who has called us to this work. What are the things in your life that cause anxiety? Can you trust enough to throw them all in His lap?

Update on Valya

Please continue to pray for housemother Valya. After spending more than a month in the hospital and undergoing a variety of tests, she is home, but still not feeling great. Actually, she is travelling to and from Crimea (along the Black Sea), many hours from Lutsk, to take Yura for his extended period of physical therapy for his leg. We are grateful that our other housemothers, Oksana and Olena, have given much more of their time with additional help in Valya's absence. The older children at Brenna's Home have also been extremely helpful during this time. We are thankful for all of them.

Because of Valya's illness, our communication with Ukraine continues to be somewhat limited, and we have not received updates and pictures as is normal.



We are thankful for our other housemothers!

Tabitha Children

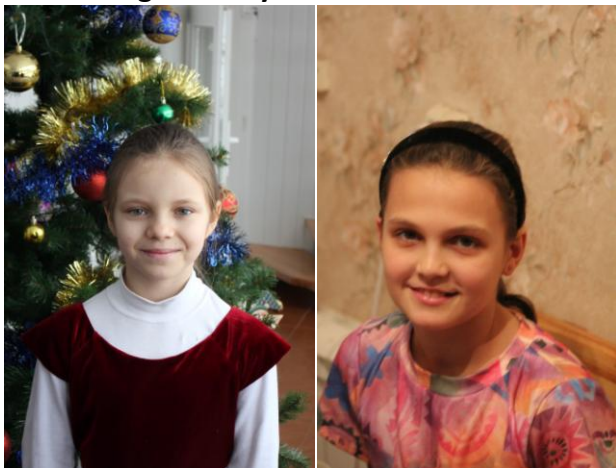
The Tabitha Children are the children that came from the neighboring highrise apartments that are within several blocks walking distance of Resurrection Church. Each day, these children (60-70) are fed a hot lunch after school. Some of these children attend the church and some of them participate in special programs, like the Christmas program. Each one of these children comes from a difficult home situation. Some of them have ended up coming to Brenna's Home to live. These are the children that will be attending the week-long summer camp which we will run during the last week in July. Here are some pictures of the "Tabitha Children":





Tabitha Children Christmas program

Celebrating Birthdays!



Yulia (left) was 11 on March 3.

Valeria (right) turns 11 on April 24.

April 27 Fundraiser

A fundraiser luncheon will be held on April 27 at the Poughkeepsie Grand Hotel from 12 Noon - 3:00PM. We hope that many of you will be able to join us. **Reservations are required by April 19**, so please contact us if you are able to attend. If you are not able to attend, would you consider making a tax-deductible donation to the Brenna Engle Foundation, 3 Albert Road, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603 **For just \$79 you can sponsor a child for the week of summer camp!**

Summer Camp Missions Trip

We will be leaving from New York City on July 18 and returning July 30. Our team is almost finalized, but as of today we are still in need of one or two team members, especially a man who is able to do some Bible teaching. We would also like to have someone with karate experience to join us. Time is running out. If you might be that person, or know someone who can go, we must have a commitment by April 20th. Please let know as soon as possible! We know that God will provide just the right mix of

people and talents for this trip. Our cost estimate for the trip is currently \$1500 or slightly less.



Sasha and Zhenya at Brenna's Home (She now has a "brother" and he has a "sister")

Wishing you all the best for Spring!

Love, Rich and Donna

Online information and networking resources

More information is available on our website www.brennaenglefoundation.org

Please visit and "Like" our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Brenna-Engle-Foundation/101419966565747>

And now on Youtube

Selected videos, including our January, 2013 trip, can be viewed at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Ah0gHE6eLM>

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