



# What do I See?

Христос Воскрес! Воистину Воскрес! Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed!

The author of this letter, Addie O'Connor, is Mission Possible's ambassador. In addition to our target countries, she visits churches to share the vision of our ministry.

Addie is also a great singer. Her testimony and music will be a blessing to your church, if you have a possibility to invite her to visit. You can contact her at [addie@mp.org](mailto:addie@mp.org).

Just type Addie O'Connor into Facebook and Youtube to see videos of her singing and photos from her travels.



Addie visiting children who live in pipe tunnels



This week, we were able to participate in the biggest Russian Easter holiday tradition called 'Chresni Hod'. It's kind of like an "Easter Eve" service.

In this ceremony, people parade around the outside of their church as Easter rings in at midnight. The light from the Easter candle is passed from person to person and slowly you see the light of Christ growing out of the darkness.

Mission Possible is like this to me. I see the darkness of the holes and crumbling, rundown, abandoned rooms where children live. I see the darkness of the addictions which hold many in Russia captive. I see the darkness of indifference towards the forgotten children. But if I look directly into the darkness, my eyes start to adjust and

I see the faces of those children. Children like Ifim who has lived on the streets of Ekaterinburg for nine years after being abandoned when he was seven years old. Or Dasha, a 13-year-old who felt safer on the streets than at home with an abusive father.

I see the Mission Possible team loving these children, feeding them, clothing them, holding their hands, praying with them. The light is spreading.

It was 2008 when I first came to visit Ekaterinburg. My first impressions of the Mission Possible directors for this city, Andre and Natasha Ivanov, was an impression of people whose whole lives are dedicated to the work God has called them too.

In 2008, they also talked about the dream to have a place to bring

the children off the streets and a place for the young mothers to feel safe and learn to raise their children away from the streets. Some of those mothers are as young as 14 years old.

Well, this Easter week in 2010, I am sitting writing this letter to you looking out of the second floor window of the new home they dreamt about. God has truly blessed Mission Possible.

It's seven a.m. and I hear a baby crying the first cry of the morning, waking up hungry. But I also hear her Mom attending to her. Would they even be together if the child's mother was still living on the streets? God's light is spreading to a new family.

I hear some of the children going downstairs to eat breakfast before heading off to school. Would they be eating at all today if they were still living on the streets. God's light is spreading!

I am here this week with a team from a church in Florida. They have played with the children, taught English classes, experienced street patrol, performed a drama at the day center, heard the stories of the children, and experienced Mission Possible. But what now? I believe that they have had their candle lit and they have a duty to pass on the light. They will leave today with the commission to tell about God's work here, just as you do reading this newsletter. Tell people about Mission Possible. Tell people about God's light spreading in Russia! Because it is, FAST!

God Bless  
Addie



The ministry team from First Baptist Church in Ft. Lauderdale visited the new Ekaterinburg shelter home in April.

The shelter home in Ekaterinburg, one MP's seven shelters, was launched last fall and is full of children and teens from the street.



**PRAY SUPPORT PRAY SUPPORT PRAY SUPPORT**

- Please pray for protection and guidance for Addie as she travels around the world.
- Please pray for the children and youths on the streets of Ekaterinburg that the Lord would deliver many more from their addictions and misery and we would be able to help them to begin a new life.
- Please pray for the street team and shelter home workers in Ekaterinburg.

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