

# What's Happening With The Fountains?

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### Prayer Points:

- For Lisa's complete healing from her surgery.
- For Zane, that he would not require eye surgery.
- For Brittany as she prepares for State Boards and works in the hospital.
- For God to bless our summer support raising efforts.

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# Takin' Care of Business



### Under the Knife Again

Due to a complication after Lisa's hysterectomy last summer she did not heal properly and a second surgery was required this summer to take care of the problem. Lisa struggled with this all winter long and we made numerous trips to the medical clinics in Russia trying to determine the source of the pains she was having. Soon after we arrived in the US her doctor scheduled a surgery to repair the area where the trouble was. We are still uncertain if this will resolve the problem so please be in prayer for her complete healing. After this long ordeal over the last year she badly wants to be healthy again.

### **New Glasses**

After having Zane's eyes checked by a specialist we found out that he would require glasses and possibly surgery to keep his left eye from turning in when he focuses. We were originally told that he would simply grow out of this, but later we found out that his eyes would only get worse if left untreated. He has a follow-up in about a month. We are praying that the new glasses will correct the problem and that surgery will not be necessary. People always tell me how much he looks like his dad... since Zane's really cute I take that as a compliment.



## **Certified Nurses Assistant**

**Brittany is taking her first steps toward becoming a health care professional.** Brittany has just completed training to become a CNA and will soon be taking state boards to become certified. She has had a chance to train at both a hospital and nursing home and will spend the rest of the summer working in the hospital's Inpatient Rehab department. She has seen the less attractive (some might say "gross") side of the nursing profession and has emerged unscarred. Don't be surprised if the next time you are in the hospital you see her headed your way with a syringe.

### **Urgent Support Needs**

We need to raise about \$12,000 this summer to meet our annual budget. We are asking our supporters to consider helping us by giving a double portion of support for one month. We are also asking you to pray about giving a one-time special offering to help us reach our goal. Here is how it all breaks down: Airfare—\$7000, Homeschool Materials—\$3500, and Russian Visas—\$1600. We are completely dependent on God to provide. Please be in prayer about how God might want to use you to help meet this need.

The cost of living has sharply increased in the last two years. We currently estimate our budget needs at \$5000 a month. We have been receiving about \$3000-3500 each month this past year which has put us in a difficult financial situation. Please pray that God would bless our present supporters so that they can remain faithful each month and possibly even increase their giving and that God would direct us as we search for additional supporters to meet our budget.

### To the Faithful

You know who you are. You send your checks each month without fail and you lift this ministry up in prayer daily. We couldn't do it without you. Thank you so much!

Your Partners,

Shaye, Lisa and Kids