

Brief Review - 2008 of Konstantin Zhigulin & Lina Zhigulina.

In 2008 God has blessed us with pleasure to serve Him in different ways. We express gratitude to each of you who help for these good affairs which have taken part for realization of it.

We thank you all for emotional, pray support and for financial participation which you carried out that church music ministry in Russia was successful.

Let His praise through the Christ will be at any time and in any place forever!

1. Composing and edit work.

In the beginning of 2008 year God bless us with big job in the field of composing new Christian songs: Particularly I've attract attention to the last book of psalms. Like result of this work we have now new songs based on Psalms 108, 17, 107, 1, 22, 6, 109, 103.

Also I continue cooperation with Mark Shipp for Metrical Psalm Project

“Timless – ancient Psalms for the church today” (project of Austin Graduate School of Theology).

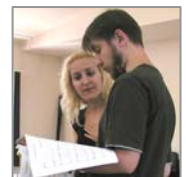


2. Teaching.

- **Annual Singing School in Russia and Ukrain**

Very important part of our Ministry is work for Annual Singing School for Russian & Ukrainian churches. In June we start work for preparation songbook for this event. Specially for singing school we made Russian text for traditional Christian songs - “The Lord bless you and keep you”, as well “Deep calls to deep”, “Come, now is the time for worship”, “Breath of heaven” and “Deep calls to deep”.

This year, 70 students attended this event – brothers and sisters from different congregations in Russia, Ukraine and Belarus (more than 25 cities – Rostov, Simferopol, Donetsk, Samara, Mariupol, Kramatorsk, Kiev, Minsk, Vyatskie Polyany, S-Petersburg, Kirov, Syktyvkar, Zugres, Moscow, Khmelnytsky, Artemivsk, Soledar, Voronezh, Gorlovka, Kamishyn, Ternopol, Ulyanovsk, Volgograd, Ivano-Frankovsk.)



Singing school is a very blessed time – not only because it is a time for studying new songs, but because it is a time of singing praises to our God and Savior and is a time of Relations in prayer in the Holy Spirit. We think about how new songs can be available for the church not only during Singing School, but all year.

- **Church singing**

In December of this year we visit congregation of Church of Christ in Tallin (Estonia) for help this congregation in worship & singing. We made special songbook for congregation in Tallin and plan visit this congregation again for help with Christmas worship.

In February I had visit church in Moskow for teach in small church seminar about liturgy & worship.

In the beginning of July, we were in Donetsk to help a congregation there with singing and worship.

Leena continue her work for help in choir of “Church of Christ on Neva”. In autumn she starts work with other Christian congregation in S-Petersburg who are have interest to tradition of church acapella singing.

She start regularywork with congregation in small town Pushkin and with students of Saint Petersburg Christian University.



In August, we participated in seminar in S-Petersburg “Heart of the servant”. There we also had a special time to teach new songs and share worship with people from different parts of Russia, Ukraine and Belarus.



In September, we participated in seminar in Orjanikidze (Ukrain). There we also had a special time to teach new songs and share worshipwith people from different parts of Ukraine.

Every Wednesday In June – I was lead course “Theology and practice of Worship” for students of Institute of Theology & Christian ministry in S-Petersburg. In Autumn of this year I was lead course “Psalms – book of Hole scripture”.

3. “PSALOM” – Konstantin Zhigulin`s Spiritual Music Ensemble.

In the end of March we had a trip in Tomsk: We have possibility sing Glory to God in hall of State University of Tomsk and new hall of Lutheran church. Both concerts was charity performance. All money by our concerts Church of Christ of Tomsk was sent to Omsk for medicine help to Dima Gorokhov, boy who suffer in fire and now need help by plastic surgery.



April & May - it was a time of trip in USA. We had possibility sing Glory to God in more when 25 events(presentations) - Oklahoma, Nashville, Texas, California(Pepperdine Lectures)

www.psalom.org

In July we gave a concert for a small congregation in Kiev. After Kiev, we traveled to Barnaul. We spent two weeks there, rehearsing and recording a CD with new songs. On one Sunday, we gave a concert- presentation of new songs to the homeland congregation – Barnaul Church of Christ.

4. Sheet music and materials for church:

In the summer, we produced a few songbooks: A collection of songs especially for the Church in Donetsk; a songbook with new songs for the seminar in S-Petersburg; a collection of songs for a seminar in the Crimea. I also worked on preparing my materials about worship for the Bible school in Donetsk.

In the future, we plan to start work on producing musical scores of hymns which include midi files of each separate singing part for each song. We will collect all this material on CDs and a website.

We already start this work. You can see it on www.singingschool.ru Site already contains the presentation of songs in Powre Point, Sheets of songs in PDF format, materials about Church singing by Everett fergusson and Darrel Tippens in Russian.

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PS. Thank you for your interest and support of our ministry. Please pray for God`s glory will shine everywhere.