

## **Praise and prayer needs of the team:**

- We thank the Lord for the Christmas events and for all those who accepted our invitation to join us in celebrating the birth of Christ;
- We give especial thanks for all the volunteers who have committed their lives to Christ and were willing to join with us in these celebrations, and for all those who faithfully pray that our ministry would be blessed;
- We thank God that the parents have a favourable attitude and allow their children to come to our meetings in clubs and home groups;
- We thank you warmly for your prayers for our son Samuel. There is some improvement in his health and we are learning how to respond in the right way to his allergic reactions. We sincerely believe that the Lord will soon heal him.

### **Please pray:**

- For all the children and their mothers and for all who heard the Good \news of Christ for the first time this Christmas. May the Lord bless them and help them to accept Him as Saviour;
- For all the ministries which present themselves to us, for the capacity to carry them out and for strength and blessing in doing so;
- For our work with volunteers, for God’s work in their hearts and for their desire to serve and dedicate themselves to Christ;
- For the continuing development of the campsite and for the work camps we are planning – and of course for the finances to achieve what we are planning;
- For our protection and the guidance of the Holy Spirit in everything and wisdom in every decision.

Yours in Christ: Dima, Mahbuba and Mavluda.



## **News from “Scripture People” Tajikistan February 2010**



Greetings to you, dear brothers and sisters!

After a long silence we are glad to be in touch with you once again.

We send you all our greetings for Christmas and the New Year. Maybe it seems strange to you that we are so late with our greetings. However, we

were celebrating till 22 January. At this special time of celebration the Lord helped us to put on four celebratory and evangelistic Christmas events:

1. One for the elderly folk whom we have met through our ministry and who support us in prayer;
2. In our house for children and their mothers;
3. At the church for children from the church kindergarten;
4. In the “Friendship” club for the kids from the school in Gissar, where they study with us the history of world religions and family ethics.

We planned one other event at a state kindergarten, but we were not able to hold it as the director was on holiday.



In the course of these events everybody was able to experience the green of early spring, the light and warmth of summer, the vibrant gold of autumn and the dazzling white of winter and meet the unforgettable lovely and beautiful queens of these four



seasons. And of course listen to the eternal story of the miraculous birth of Jesus Christ in Bethlehem and hear of the wonderful way in which God appeared in the flesh to mankind to save people from their sins. All could see with their own eyes the infant Jesus with Mary, Joseph, the wise men and the shepherds. They were able to make the journey with Mary and Joseph through the ancient land of Israel and take part in their adventures and the Biblical events. At the end all the children received presents from Father Christmas and from Christian children abroad thanks to the Samaritan's Purse and made their own contribution by reading poems and singing songs.



were visiting our house for the first time were presented with children's Bibles in their own language. We hope very much that this celebration will make a lasting impression on them and leave pleasant memories in their hearts. And we believe that through

your and our prayers the Lord Jesus will open their hearts and that they will be able to trust their lives and futures into His pierced hands.

One girl named Umeda, a 10<sup>th</sup> year pupil who comes to our club, received as a present from us a children's Bible in Tajik. When she came home and showed her mother, she was very interested in the book and began to read it herself. Umeda's mother then asked us for a full Bible. Now mother and daughter are reading the Scriptures together and Umeda tries not to miss a single meeting of our club. Please pray that she and her mother would be able to take one more big step and accept Jesus into their hearts and entrust their lives completely to Him.

We love you all very much. May the Lord bless us all abundantly and help us to do what He has entrusted to each of us.  
With all our love.