

Russian Aid

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help. Moncure first contacted a lieutenant colonel friend of his in the National Guard in Charlotte. This person sent Ordinartsev a long list of U.S. based relief organizations. One of these organizations, Volunteers In Technical Assistance, has agreed to coordinate this relief effort.

Moncure then contacted Major General Buster Glosson, a Davidson parent and the director of tactical planning for the U.S. Air Force. Glosson had actually heard of the program and secured the use of military aircraft in transporting the food to Moscow. In Moscow, the food will be picked up by members of the Pyatigorsk church. These church members will make the 30 hour drive to Moscow in rented trucks and will hopefully receive a KGB escort on the way home. Once the aid reaches Pyatigorsk, the minister of the church will distribute it to the community.

The joint of efforts of a small American community, the U.S. military, and the Russian KGB is remarkable. Rosemary Raynal contacted the national Presbyterian organization, Presbyterian Church U.S.A., and they commented that a relief effort of this nature was completely unprecedented to the best of their knowledge. Raynal said that Russian Orthodox Churches have traditionally "steered clear" of American protestant churches and that this program is an incredible opportunity for the two churches to develop a "personalized relationship."

Since the initial efforts of Ordinartsev and the Raynals, the aid program has branched out to other immediate communities. Ordinartsev has spoken at nearby Gilwood Presbyterian Church and will soon speak at churches in Statesville and Elkin. He has also spoken at area Rotary Clubs and Lions Clubs. Dr. Charles Raynal's brother, who is a physician, has contacted several pharmaceutical companies. Ordinartsev said that these companies are considering sending medical supplies. In addition, the effort has enlisted the support of the Westminster group on campus and has contacted the Charlotte based, US-USSR Bridges for Peace organization. Also, the company in Mooresville which manufactures the boxes in which the goods are shipped has agreed to sell the chuch the boxes at a discount price.

Ordinartsev underscored the seriousness of the need for aid. He said, "People have worked their whole lives and now this country doesn't want to help them." The economic situation is so bad, Ordinartsev says, that many people are now unable to afford their own funerals. He said, "The churches have no money," and described their situation as "desperate."

He called the program "remarkable, and very exciting." Ordinartsev cited the "golden rule" in describing the purpose of the program; "As God said, treat others as you would wish them to treat you."

Ordinartsev is hopeful that the Davidson student body will also support this effort. He said, "I would like to have any kind of assistance from Davidson College." He also said that the Russian people "know Americans are very generous."

These are the contents of the boxes that are being sent to Pyatigorsk. The organizers of the aid program ask that you use the exact amounts requested and that you buy nothing in glass or plastic containers. Due to the cost of the contents (\$35-\$45), families or individuals may wish to work together to fill a box. Rosemary Raynal is urging participants to include pictures and notes to the Russian people. She is confident that "we'll hear from them" and that "two-way, long-term relationship" can be established.

Items To Be Included For Russian Food Aid

Flour	5 lbs.
Sugar	5 lbs.
Pasta (Macaroni, spaghetti)	5 lbs.
Rice	5 lbs.
Canned Meat(12/ 6 oz. cans)	5 lbs.
Dehydrated Soup	1lb.
Shortening	2 lb. can
Powdered Milk	5 lbs.
Tea	1 lb.
Fruit Juice (powdered juices)	1 lb.
Chocolate Bars	1lb.

36 total pounds (no more than 40 including the box)

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stated that "the historical tradition...is quite equivocal. Some physicians have stayed with contagious patients even at the risk of their own health. Others, however, have fled."

In the last two centuries, Zuger said that the American Medical Association's Code of Ethics has changed from requiring physicians to treat patients "...even at the risk of their own lives..." to giving physicians the freedom to choose "whom to serve, with whom to associate, and the environment in which to provide medical services."

She pointed out that there are two ethical models which physicians can follow today. The "contract model," she explained, states that both the physician and the patient can into a contract voluntarily. But, once the relationship is established, only the patient has the right to break the contract unless the physician provides adequate notice for the patient to find another doctor.

The "rights model," Zuger said, forces public physicians to treat all patients who come for help. Physicians in private practice, however, have the right to deny treatment to any patient, she said.

Zuger concluded by saying that "a volunteering system of accommodations is being worked out" for treating AIDS patients. But, she noted, in return for a physician's treatment of an AIDS patient, he can expect to receive some rewards. Zuger listed attaining prestige in the research community, receiving a higher salary, and being labeled as a hero as possibilities.

Following her speech, Zuger was asked what her position was on the issue. In response, she said, "I think...it is possible to construct a strong moral code for the profession... but I am not sure that physicians would adhere to it."

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