

Kurzayev Family

Father: Alexander Kurzayev

Mother: Olga Kurzayeva

Children: Luba (girl - 1993)

Vova (boy – 2001)

Dasha (girl – 5-22-04)

Egor (boy – 1-20-07)

Date of visit: September 2007

Report: Alexander and Olga live with their younger children in one room of a three-room apartment. Their oldest daughter lives with her grandmother. Alexander is legally blind and has difficulty finding work; Olga is also currently without a job. The family is living on a meager welfare stipend and the father's disability pension. Luba, the oldest daughter, also has vision problems. She will probably be transferred to a school for the



visually impaired.

Alexander and Olga are trying to enroll their middle children, Vova and Dasha, in daycare. Daycare in Russia is government-run and very inexpensive for families with three or more children. With two children in daycare it would make it easier for one of the parents to find work. Egor cannot attend daycare until he is at least eighteen months old.

Alexander with Egor and Vova

Olga contacted the local social worker requesting help for her family. The social worker referred her to our charitable fund. Starting in October, the Kurzayev will receive monthly gifts of groceries and baby food, plus a one-time gift of winter clothes for Dasha and Egor.

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Dates of visits:

January 29th

February 20th

March 26th, 2008

Help received:

Groceries (monthly)

Medicine (March)

Report: This was the Kurzayev family's second quarter in the "Care" program. During this quarter, they received monthly gifts of groceries, as well as a package of basic medicines and home medical supplies in March. The children have been healthy during this quarter. The mother Olga plans to return to work soon, and the father Alexander will take care of Egor until he is old enough to go to government-sponsored daycare. At the present moment, Alexander is working odd jobs to help provide for his family.

Groceries include: milk, butter, canned meat and fish, canned peas and corn, tomato paste, oatmeal, dried beans, split peas, buckwheat groats, cooking oil, macaroni, flour, rice and dried soup mixes.

Medicines include: children's vitamins, fever reducer, cough syrup, rose hip syrup, cod liver oil, charcoal pills (first aid for poisoning), iodine, bandages and gauze.