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One of Tumpline Ministries first mission trips in 2008 to Kumora in Siberia, Russia

Merry Christmas!!

As I prepare for the upcoming college age mission trip in January, I was reminiscing about previous trips...places we have been with college students. Russia was the first (pictured above), then Peru, India, Greece, and Chile almost a half dozen times. I must confess, I look forward to mission trips with college age students as much as the deep wilderness canoe trips, maybe more!! I enjoy their youthful enthusiasm for life, their sense of adventure, and I am always blessed by meeting and getting to know solid, Christian young adults.

David Campbell, from MTW, wrote an article recently giving *Five Reasons Why You Should Take Your Kids on a Mission Trip*. In this article he outlined compelling reasons to have young people participate in something outside themselves--seeing different cultures; life away from texting, Facebook, and video games; spending quality time with young people; experiencing how other Christians in other lands deal with "life"; and having them see the meaning of sacrifice! Here! Here!



Peru - 2010

One element we add to our trips is that we talk...about life after college, about dating, marriage, and their walk with the Lord.

Please pray for us! There are six students headed to Nassau, Bahamas, January 6-15. We will be working at a youth center in a bad part of town! Pray that God will use this time for spiritual growth in all of us and that we will boldly give an account for the HOPE that is within us!!

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