



# An Adventure in Living

This is a new year, so it's time for a new style. I'm having an adventure in living, and I'm glad you are coming along.

**Let's Party with the Gypsies!!**

Travel Dates are May 31 – June 12, 2006

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## Countdown to Take-off

Register - December 5, 2005

Yana Banova called to see if I was interested in the [Gypsy](#) trip for 2006. Of course I said, "Yes!"

Deposit Due - \$350

I paid the deposit! Yea, God! The total cost will be about \$3,000.

Forms Due

I've got my online registration in. More paperwork to come. This will include travel/medical insurance (more \$\$).

Passport renewed... check!

First Payment Due

February 1st - \$1,000

Second Payment Due

March 1st - \$1,000

Final Payment Due

April 1st - \$1,000 less deposit

Lift-Off!! - May 31, 2006

Personal Travel Expenses

## Prayer Points

Wisdom to recognize & obey God

Gypsies to be prepared for God's visit

God's abundant provision for His Work and my part in it.

## Missionary? Yes, Me!

Wednesday, February 15, 2006

As you likely know, I'd been saying "When, Lord?!" for the longest time. Then last year, He said, "Now." I don't know if you can even imagine my surprise and my bliss being at the same level! It took a while for me to realize that God had truly answered the *Desire of my Heart* that day in March.

Well, about two months ago, as you can see on my "Count-down" just to the left of here, I got a call to ascertain my interest in the [2006 Party with the Gypsies](#) trip. On December 20<sup>th</sup> I had foot surgery, so I hope to be able to do considerable walking by June, and I hope to join the Y as soon as the Doc releases me to start swimming and working out. You can read more about this trip at <http://www.riverlution.net>. There are also many photos posted there from our trip last year.

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## Missions... or "just business"??

Richard and I have just returned from Spain and Morocco to visit, encourage, and share in a business seminar with local business men & women. The seminar is about Kingdom Businesses... establishing and operating businesses in a way that brings honor to The King. The seminar in both locations was well received, and the businessmen & women are so hungry for all that was shared and more!! They want follow-up seminars! They really want to minister the Kingdom of God through their businesses. Thank you, Lord, for allowing us to be there!

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## Preparations (To-Do List)

### Clothing

Will last year's clothing fit? Do I need to buy more? Go shopping!

### Gifts & Do-dads for Gypsies

Ribbons, bows, toiletries, \$\$, hand sanitizer in small bottles,

### Purchases to make overseas

Gypsy worship albums!

### Pulling together the equipment

Which suitcase(s) this year? Musical instruments, including a systum for Lubcho and new violin strings and tuning pegs for a man in one of the villages. Walking shoes.

A Systum (sistrum) is an ancient



Egyptian rattle which we have copied (Thanks, Andy) and now use to worship the Lord God with. It has pieces of metal, like a tambourine, that are separated by beads.

## Remembering

Last summer in Sophia, we danced and sang and laughed and prayer together, hand-in-hand, arm-in-arm, with our Gypsy



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## Praise, Worship and Healing

Lubcho & Mitko are on the worship team of the Gypsy church in Sophia, and traveled with us throughout Bulgaria last summer. What a blessing they are! They even invited me to play my violin with their team. They have cut some cd's, and their music is awesome! They really love the Lord!



Slava na Boga! (Praise the Lord!)

*If you would like to help fund my trip to minister to the Gypsies in Eastern Europe, please send contributions to The Chesapeake Vineyard Christian Fellowship, 137 North George Washington Highway, Chesapeake, Virginia 23323.*

*My heartfelt thanks and the blessings of the Lord Jesus Christ to you.*

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