

Five years ago we met Misha and his mother at a John Maxwell leadership conference in Krasnayarsk, a city 12 hours NE of Novokuznetsk. Misha was only 14 at the time, and we were moved to see how he played the guitar and worshiped the Lord. Since then, he's visited us several times in Novokuznetsk and has ministered in the church and Teen Challenge program here. Recently, Misha has joined the program to be a full-time music

teacher for the students in Teen Challenge. He's not only a gifted musician on the guitar, drums and keyboard, but he is also a gifted teacher. The most amazing aspect in all of this is that Misha is totally blind! At the age of three he contracted rheumatic fever and has never seen again after his illness.

We thank the Lord for Misha because we had prayed for many years for God to provide a music teacher to help those who desire to play an instrument for worship. Many TC students feel called to start new churches and TC programs and leading worship is such a vital aspect in beginning a new ministry. It's amazing how God provides!