LAURA GAIGALNIECE, one of our Fresh Start participants, will be graduating from

the University as a fully accredited and trained DENTAL HYGIENIST July 2nd.

That's amazingly incredible as, when we first met when she was 16 years old and her older sister Ieva 17, both had been prematurely 'aged out' of the orphanage and were basically homeless.



LAURA'S BAPTISM IN BLACK SEA, 2010 AT OUR BIBLE CAMP

LAURA, 8, IEVA 9, WHEN THEY WERE FIRST PUT IN REZEKNE ORPHANAGE But they attended our Discipleship Camp in Crimea, opened their hearts to Jesus, and I had the privilege of baptizing them in the waters of the Black Sea!

We provided a transition apartment and expenses so they had a place to live and could finish school and apply to the university.

Now, at the end of a long journey, Laura graduates from the medical college! GOD'S MIRACLE!

University graduation day, June 22, 2018, rezekne university, latvia





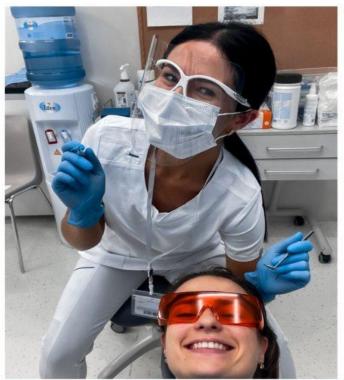


LAURA
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WAS A 16
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OUR WAITING LIST FOR
BIBLE CAMP
IN 2010



SHE CAME
TO CHRIST
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BECAME
PART OF OUR
'FRESH
START'
PROGRAM

FACT: WHEN AN ORPHAN 'AGES **OUT' OF THE** ORPHANAGE, WITHIN 2-3 YEARS 90% BECOME WHAT THEY CALL 'SOCIALLY **MARGINALIZED**': HOMELESS. ADDICTS. PROSTITUTES. PRISON, GIRLS **ESPECIALLY** SUSCEPTIBLE TO SEX TRAFFICKING. 10% COMMIT SUICIDE!



FRESH START:
PROVIDES A
TRANSITION
APARTMENT,
MENTORING BY
OUR STAFF,
ACCOUNTABILITY,
FUNDS FOR
FOOD,
MEDICAL,
PERSONAL
EXPENSES,
MONEY TO
CONTINUE
EDUCATION

LAURA WAS ONE OF 20 CANDIDATES OUT OF 70 APPLICANTS THAT WERE ACCEPTED INTO THE MEDICAL UNIVERISTY TO STUDY TO BECOME AN DENTAL HYGIENIST. HERE SHE IS AT PRACTICE AT SCHOOL. WHEN WE MET LAURA, SHE WAS 16, 'AGED OUT' OF ORPHANAGE, HOMELESS, WITH 2 YEARS LEFT TO GO OF HIGH SCHOOL. SHE & SISTER IEVA, MOVED INTO OUR 'FRESH START' APARTMENT & PROGRAM. IN 2 YEARS, SHE GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL SECOND IN HER CLASS, THEN ENTERED UNIVERSITY & GRADUATED WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE, ENTERED DENTAL SCHOOL & BECAME A DENTAL ASSISTANT & NOW GOES ON FOR HER DENTAL HYGIENIST DEGREE!

AMAZING... CONSIDER THAT 90% OF ORPHANS LEAVE WITH 9TH GRADE EDUCATION





FOR THE PAST SIX YEARS, LAURA HAS WORKED AS OUR INTERN, OVER-SEEING OTHER 'FRESH START' PARTICIPANTS IN LATVIA & TEACHING LIFE SKILLS LESSONS AT OUR BIBLE CAMPS FOR ORPHANS TO THE 15-17 YEARS OLD ORPHANS SOON TO 'AGE OUT' OF THEIR ORPHANAGES. SHE DEVELOPED THE POWER POINT PRESENTATION AND HERE IS TEACHING AT OUR AUGUST, 2021 CAMP FOR ORPHANS