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Dear praying friends

We thank you for your prayers for ministry and for family without which we could not do what we do. God hears the prayers of the righteous. In one of our past newsletters I said that the recession would not bother God or His people, I guess that wasn't quite right, Gods people are affected the same as everyone else, at least with God we are "all in it together" It is because of God's grace the ministry is still active, not as before but still active!

Traian, Lidia and the team in Alba Iulia are still experiencing a hunger for the 'truth' the children's ministry continues to grow with many young people coming to the groups.

In Cluj, Cristi & Cristina have changed churches, moving to a smaller one and have found that with teaching, preaching and evangelism people come and baptisms have taken place. Whatever your experience, God is faithful.

We have experienced a time of growth in our families too. In Cluj, Lois is now 2 years old and her name for me is 'Pong'. In Alba Iulia, Natan is 5 months old and is growing into a strong and healthy baby and here in Ruddington Charlie William Wakefield has arrived into our family. What a blessing new birth is.

Recently I was able to go to Romania for a short time. I stayed at Cristi's home and travelled with him. We covered 800 kilometres during my time there.

We went to Vatra Dornei to see the field which we want to sell; it was so overgrown it was like a forest. Cristi is going to organise a 'cleaning up team' and then we will put the sale into the hands of an agent.

We had a short time in Alba Iulia such a blessing to see Traian, Lidia and Delia. We were able to have a meeting together which set out the way forward on certain operational issues.

We were able to purchase three truckloads of bricks and cement for the new building at Bethany camp. Buying them now secures the price and the builder's yard will hold them for us until they are required in April 2012.

Please pray for Cristi and Timi (the architect) as they search for a team of builders. It has been quite difficult to get all the permissions necessary and during that time prices of building materials have increased significantly.

Building regulations state that we have a year to get the building up to roof level but after that we have no pressure from them to complete.

Here in Ruddington Julie and I continue with our child-minding. It is a real privilege to see the children develop and grow and financially it has been a lifeline to us. Please remember Julie in your prayers as on Tuesday (4th) she has an operation to remove the bone from the base of her left thumb. In time cartilage will grow in its place. Eventually she will be able to grip things and form a fist although it won't be as strong.

If you would like the chance to speak to Traian and Lidia and to cuddle Natan you can. They will be in Ruddington from the 3rd of November and will be speaking about the ministry in Romania (with pictures) at Ruddington Baptist church on the 6th November. The service starts at 10.30 am. Although they will be travelling 'up north' during their stay they will be with us until the 14th.

Thank you for your continued support for all of us.

Paul, Julie & family

Traian, Lidia, Natan, Delia and the
Alba Iulia team

Cristi, Cristina & Lois in Cluj



Seven folders containing all the building permissions for the newbuilding at Bethany camp. Well done Timi (architect) for visiting all the different departments.



Vatra Dornei (forest) field



Lois, Cristi and me relaxing



Lidia, Traian and Natan



Charlie William Wakefield

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