



Greater Europe Mission

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### Summer is flying by!

My time in Romania is coming to an end and I feel that the clock is speeding up! As college students headed home for the summer and the kindergarten came to end for the year, I found myself saying good-bye to friends, students, people I have been ministering to, and people I care deeply about. This has been a difficult, but rewarding time. I am going to try to catch you up on what I have been doing and ask you continue to pray for these ministries even as my direct involvement comes to an end.

*2 Corinthians 4:18 "So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal."*

Also, please begin sending any mail for me to my parent's address. This is the address that I will be using during my time in the states. Although there is still a little time before I arrive there mail can take a bit longer to get here.  
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### Kindergarten Year Comes to an End

This past June I said good bye to the Kindergarten class as they started their vacation. The year ended with Iulia leading the students in an English-speaking program for the parents and guests. All the children did a wonderful job saying verses and poems. After the program was completed Iulia presented the older students that will be going on to first grade with a Bible and certificate. Then the class surprised me with a gift, a wooden doll dressed in the traditional Sibiu costume. It was an evening full of joy for all that the Lord has done in the past few years to bring this kindergarten together. It has been a great blessing to the children, their families, the church, Iulia, myself and I pray for you too! This school would not have been able to come together without your prayers and support. Thank you again for working with me to create a program that has been a blessing to many through God's design.



### Vacation Bible School

I was able to work with 15 youth to prepare and teach a VBS program at the church. This was the first time that Romanians had done most of the work! In past years students had worked as translators for teams, usually from CA. I believe this was a blessing to have the Romanians do all the teaching and running of different activities, (although I did miss spending time with many of you from CA teams). The youth led all the games, taught the Bible stories and verses, missionary story, crafts, puppets and worked in building relationships with the groups of children. God blessed this week and the youth were excited by the different ways they had been able to work for Him!

The following week one of the girls who had worked with a small group during VBS said to me, "I told my grandma how much fun I had doing VBS here and she asked if I could come out to her village and do a VBS there. Would that be all right with you? Also could I use some of your ideas and materials?" I had been praying that God would use this VBS to encourage the students to do a VBS program again next year. During our training I explained where I had gathered most of the materials that might be used in following years. Thankfully, God had a different plan, not to wait until next year, but for the youth to use the same program this year in other places. Please pray with me that God will continue to build up these young people to believe that God can use them now to

serve Him where they are with the materials that they already have. I believe that they can be making a bigger impact for the Lord than they even know!



### 5<sup>th</sup> Youth Mission Trip

### Praise God!

He has allowed me to take another mission trip with youth from Romania. God blessed our team of 6 youth from Sibiu as they worked for Him in the country of Moldova from July 19<sup>th</sup> through July 24<sup>th</sup>. This trip had a little different purpose than our previous mission trips. Our team was focused on encouraging and showing love to Nicoleta, a Romanian missionary from Sibiu, by helping in the ministry work that she is doing full time.

### Team Reflections

#### **Anita**

For me that mission trip meant a lot. First of all, because I could see what it meant to be a missionary and then because my life was kind of changed by everything I saw there. God put in my heart that desire to be a missionary and through that mission trip He showed me what it is to be a missionary. My heart was touched by Nicoleta's example of serving God and I was really impressed by her Godly example. I worked with the children in the camp and I realized that we, as Christians, have to be as sincere as those children are. I learned a lot of important things for my life in that trip and I'm sure I'll not forget anything I saw there.

#### **Virgil**

Even at the beginning of this trip, God took care about all the things. Even if I did not know how God could use me, He can provide opportunities when we are willing to be used. He can use us even if we just say a word that can help encourage someone. God my Father taught me that I should have an open heart. If I am available to do His work, He will take care of everything else.

#### **Doris**

I'm so glad that I was a part of that mission team. I saw what it means to serve God. I met people that are devoted to God's ministry and depend on God for each day of their life. Especially, Nicoleta's ministry encouraged me

and I could see her Godly example. I learned that even through Satan tried to get in the way of this trip that with God all things are possible. I can say that my relationship with God is better right now and in the future I would like to be more involved in mission work.

#### **Daniela**

I was glad to go to Republic Moldova because I was able to learn a little bit more about what mission really means. And I thank God for the people I met in this journey from whom I had something to learn. That is that one can give and love more, can have even more patience; because we have a God much greater and better than we can imagine, a God who loves us all as we are.

#### **Stella**

From all that happened I liked best our missionary Amy, from whom I have learned many things, especially patience. She was always with a smile on her face. Even in the moments when she was tired, if you had a problem she would help you. I liked best that when it was time for work she was working and when it was time for joking she was joking, when it was time for being serious, she was serious. She did everything at its time. God bless her to stay forever the same. Thank you for sending Amy to Sibiu. From her I have learned a lot about mission. She is for me a great encouragement and a great example. May God bless you in everything.

#### **Dani**

I am glad that I went on the trip to Moldova to help and encourage the missionary Nicoleta. She is only two years older than me, yet she works full time for God. That made me think about how I can do more to serve God too. Nicoleta has had struggles and life is not easy and yet she serves the people in Moldova. Our team was able to help her in the work that she is doing. Each day we could see that Nicoleta was more encouraged. It was good to know that God was using us to bless her and her mission.

*"How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you?"*

*1 Thessalonians 3:9*

Thank you for your continuing support and prayers.

By His Grace and Love,  
Amy