

R the ayre family missionaries to Romania

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Dear Friends and Supporting Churches,

We send greetings to you all in the name of our Saviour. We thank you for your prayers and support without which we wouldn't be able to do anything. *But the God whom we serve, is He not the Lamb that was slain, and worthy of the reward of His suffering?* The church is His, of that we are constantly reminded, and the people *His* flock.

In Romania there are many "wolves" attacking the flock, sadly many are so called "shepherds"; but they are robbing their flocks or letting them starve! ("...for filthy lucre..." 1Peter 5:2-3). We may not be able to change *these* people, but as we minister to the scattered sheep and train up those who would be new pastors for the future, we trust fully in the Lord to use us to do His work. 2 Cor 4:7 *"But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us".*

Please pray for this region; that the Gospel witness may go out. There has been so many "gospels" preached that the people no longer know what is right. Please pray for our students. Pray that God will have a plan for them, and they won't stray from it. Pray for them by name: Marcel, Vaseli, Nicu, & Danny. Pray that we may have opportunity to have many more young men willing to serve the Lord in this zone.

Please pray for the camp ministry, for the building permit, for the upcoming camps, for the young people who will attend, for the programs and ideas we are working on, for ourselves to have the grace and stamina required, for traveling mercies for our visitors/helpers and for the costs to be met. May it all be for God's purpose and glory!

Please pray for the out reach into Serbia; for the small "flocks" there who have felt "forgotten". May we minister to them, and may their churches become alive as a Gospel witness once again goes out in their villages.

Please pray for our transport needs. Last month the engine in our VW van died, and although our sending church T.B.B.C. graciously sent us money for a replacement engine, to this time, we have not been able to locate one. This week a friend of Dolphy's is going up to Germany to look for us, so please pray that the Lord's leading will be upon his purchase, as a reliable vehicle is vital to our work here.

Please continue to pray for our children, for protection, encouragement, and wisdom.

We give praise that Daniel Copriva was able to get his visa to visit Australia. This was a huge hurdle for him and an answer to prayer. Daniel will be traveling with us on furlough. Daniel is interested in the camp ministry and new ideas for it and has known Pastor Anger since he was 6 years old. He has almost finished paying off his ticket which cost him half his wages for over 18 months!

We give thanks for the two lots of visitors we had in May; firstly Joseph and Helen Agyare and their daughters from our home church. The Agyares look after all our business in Australia and have been a huge blessing to us, and Pastor Veszely and wife Liz from Calvary Baptist Church in Melbourne, who were also a huge encouragement to us. *Pro 25:25 "As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country".*

With love and may God bless you,
Your co-labourers,



Billy, Annette and girls.

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