

“And I am sure of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus” Phillipians 1,v.6.

Firstly, we want to thank you for your faithful support and prayers since our last newsletter. Your ongoing backup means a lot to us, and we appreciate your love and faith in our calling.

## **AT LAST!!**

As some of you know already, we have finally received the approval document for our visas. This was released almost exactly a year from the date we applied for it.... A long wait, but we never doubted that God would supply it. He has called us, so we know He will equip us!

Our interview at the Embassy is arranged for Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> April at 12.30pm. Once that is completed, we should receive the visas within a week or so by courier. After that, we will be able to book our flights! Please pray for this ongoing process, that all will go well.

All of a sudden, we have lots to do in a short space of time; things we haven't been able to do until now. Pray with us that we will accomplish all of this in the time we have left: see family members, arrange last-minute appointments, etc.

## **FUTURE PLANS**

Your prayers are asked for the transition we will undergo once we arrive in Ottawa. The right place to live (temporarily), our integration into the church and town, all the essential stuff such as insurances, driving legalities, etc., as well as our involvement as we work in and outside the church. All these things are, to a certain extent, unknowns at this stage, so we are trusting God to make the way clear for us to move forward once we are there.

## **HOUSE MATTERS**

Despite a lot of interest in our house in Romania, so far we have no definite buyer. Please keep praying! As well as wanting it to sell for our sake (to release the money wrapped up in it and to cut this final physical tie with Romania), we would love to relieve Livia of the responsibility she has so kindly taken on on our behalf. There are many local people who live and work abroad back in the Radauti area just now (Orthodox Easter was on the 8<sup>th</sup> April), so we are praying that someone might see the advert and find it's just what they are looking for!!

## **ROMANIAN NEWS**

Misu and Livia have just hosted a short conference for some of the young people who have attended previous events at Brodina. Please pray that they may be closer to God as a consequence. There are several camps and the main conference planned for the summer months, all of which need finance and personnel. Pray with us for the right leaders to come forward, and for God's Spirit to be in control of everything.

Petrica and Viorica once again bought, packed and distributed the Easter parcels to every family in Voivodeasa. J.A.R.S. sent the finance, but it is their hard work that made it happen! As usual, everyone was very appreciative. A recent phone call to Petrica revealed that their home is full to bursting almost every day. This lovely couple not only give their guests what they can to eat and drink, but use every opportunity to share their faith, listen, pray and generally love the people who come and visit their home. Please continue to pray for their witness and direction as they seek God's will for their lives and ministry.

Pray, too, for the church in the village, which is still in a state of flux and needs a very powerful move of God to sort out all the issues it is facing.



**One of the gypsies collecting her Easter parcel.**



**One of the children taking her Christmas parcel home.**



**Our ex neighbour collecting her Easter parcel.**

## **RECENT DOINGS**

As well as visiting family (especially Ian's dad, who is doing quite well just now), we have spent a few days away visiting close friends in Lancashire. It really was a flying visit, so our opportunities were limited, but it was a blessing to see a very few good friends whilst there.

In early March we were blessed with a week's holiday and a couple of days spent near Thirsk. We enjoyed having our own space for a little while, and were also able to visit Hollybush, our first time there in around fifteen years. What a blessing!!!

## **THANKS**

Our next newsletter will be sent from the States, so we'll sign off here and look forward to giving you more good news of our early days in Ottawa.

Special thanks to the lady who has volunteered to print and distribute this letter in future, we really appreciate your kindness and hard work -in advance!

**ONCE AGAIN, IF YOU ARE ABLE TO RECEIVE THE LETTER BY EMAIL, PLEASE LET US KNOW ASAP. Drop us an email to: [info@jars.org.uk](mailto:info@jars.org.uk)**

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