



Open air Outreach in Boranesti

Christ Commission for Romania

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**O**ur dear friends and supporters: Greetings from Romania! I want you to know that you're on our list of praises and interceding prayers. Just to remind, I'm mailing to you a prayer greeting card. I have been in intense prayer.

Praise the Lord it's harvesting time both literally and spiritually in Romania. We have had a great season with our evangelistic outreaches, church planting, and preaching the good news to a dozen towns and villages.

**BORANESTI CHURCH** was planted in a large Gypsy village where we held an open air outreach to present the Gospel. There was no building in the village that could seat so many people at one meeting.

Pray for this church to acquire a home building. They are in the process of purchasing a place but it needs repairing and remodeling in order to get the whole congregation inside. Let's pray along with Pastors Costel and Nicu that this will happen before the rain season and the cold winter sets in.



### ORSOVA RIVER OF LIFE CHURCH

**O**rsova River of Life Church was planted few years ago. The city is on the Danube river bay right at the Serbian border. The city still stands poor, the former communist times industries disappeared long ago, and most people struggle to find a job. On the other side the harvest is ripe. Spiritually people are hungry, they are looking for a purpose in life to fill a deep void inside their hearts. It's similar to right after Communism was overthrown and people were hungry and looking for something new. If in that past time we had the evangelists and leaders in place, and all the needed funds to reap the harvest, just in a matter of few years the whole people of Romania could have been evangelized and today in every town and village would be a strong church.



ORSOVA RIVER OF LIFE CHURCH



Why then should we not take action in Orsova and Boranesti, and the whole South when the hunger is high there? Come and help to have the increase and the multiplication.



**Here in the picture** the people dressed in white are confessing Christ and receiving water baptism. It's amazing to see new people for the Kingdom of God starting a new life with the confession of Christ as their Lord and Savior.

Let's finish these buildings that really are need to be finished. Let's open the gate for the new comers to have a place to gather to bring praises unto our Lord!

**In Orsova River of Life Church** the second level will be built to serve a large sanctuary where the whole church will fit and bring their friends. We'll then pray and believe for a roof.

In this one church, the poor, the orphan and street children will find a safe haven and their lives forever changed. Here new class leaders are developed to reap and gather the full harvest. Let's do something together. All of us need to do a little, or more, of what we can do and then we'll look behind and say our work was well done.

### **TESTIMONY, as Marian told it to us.**

Marian is a teenager who for a couple of years faithfully attended our Orsova church services. This young child is becoming a strong man in the Lord. He was much assisted by the church in many ways since

the time we found him. Marian comes from a broken and very poor family with five other brothers. His parents don't hold a job and have no income but a small state welfare. If you've a chance to speak to him, he'll let you know what real poverty is. He speaks of shortages of food, shoes and clothes.

Whenever he got these things it was like a priceless treasure to him. But everything changed after we befriended and helped him. He found love and care in this cruel world. He understood that we people in the church don't have enough stuff also, but we stretched the rope as much as we could to help him and others, a loving care he never experienced before. Marian was looking and seeking to find this loving Father God we serve, and last year he received the Holy Spirit and made contact with our Lord Jesus who touched his heart and mind.

This year he was in the youth camp and witnessed how he devoted himself totally to God and was strengthen in his heart to do ministry to others. Now he wants to live for other people benefit, as did others for him.

He then led his mother to the Lord and now she attends church with him. Presently, he serves in various capacities in the church, but one thing stands out, he is very reliable and focused on what he does. When he is committed to do something he is doing it with all his strength and might. Today his needs are not all fully satisfied nor does he have enough. He still struggles on, but now he fights with the attitude of a worrier who gets new territory results.

Let's continue to reach out to these kids and poor broken hearts, with the power of our Lord Jesus, their souls are mended.

Your help with church panting and buildings makes a great difference in Romania!



**Marian**





## Daniel Virgil Catalina Testimony

I'm coming from a small village close to Cordun where a church is being planted.

Pastor Laurentiu and a ministry team told me of Jesus Christ, I was so impressed about their radiant joy and their confidence they had while speaking to me. I was a teenager without a purpose, I was looking for a purpose in life and I found none, I needed to go to a high school but there were no schools around and I had no money to support me. No jobs were available so I was living day to day. In my situation I was desperate and I lost all interest in this life. I knew that I would be a very poor man struggling to survive in life, without a future. Until I found these real people and the real God, then I realized that God had designed a sole purpose for my life. I was taken to the church, then to the summer camps and I got stronger and stronger in the Lord, and the joy of God came in my heart and shined on my face. People started to ask me why I have a continuous smile and a happy face at all times, and so there starts my testimony with them.

Now, I was just accepted in Timisoara Life Center training program where I want to receive training for a business job. Here I'm always encouraging others students to be positive, focusing and happy as we'll reap the best from this life.

When I finish in Timisoara I want to return back and help my people out of their life plight and poverty, bless others and bring jobs around. Please pray for me and my people!

*Daniel Virgil Catalina*

**T**he Dolinschi Family, helping with Summer Camps in the year 2013.

As you see most of these new young believers pass through the camps, some were saved, others delivered and healed, but most of them are fired up in new dedications to the Lord. This ministry was designed by God in the believer's life to go step by step, from one level to the next passed through the stages, then becoming a leader to bring others to Christ.

My kids passed through all of these in Romania, when they were small. They went to all the camps where Viorica and I had been involved, living within the Bible schools, traveling to church planting along with me, helping a new church thrive.



This year **Alina and Nadine** graduated from Arizona State University. They worked and saved their money to pay their own traveling expenses, and spent the summer with us here in Romania, doing the same things all over again, but this time being involved in





teaching small seminars at Oltenia camp. Nathan was also involved and helped with this summer traveling ministry, and Christina growing and maturing along side with us. Praise the Lord! This is a model of a Christian growing life, going in, seeing, witnessing and then practicing to help others grow.



### CCFR DISCIPLESHIP-LEADERSHIP BIBLE SCHOOL OF URZICENI

The Leaders Bible School of the South-East led by Pastor Costel Gramada, is making great progress. Most of these leaders and pastors don't have any basic Bible school, and many of them are Gypsies who came recently to the Lord, and are leading new planted churches in the area. They have very successful outreach ministries, but they are lacking Bible education, in the need to understand the word of God deeper to enlarge their territories.

Mainly, they are good evangelists to reach out to other people, but are in need of teachers to establish and father the ministry, we need leaders to disciple and raise other leaders in the ministry.

Here I taught a leadership Bible course, and was speaking to the graduation class. This is the newest Bible School started with us in Romania.



Please pray along with me and help these precious souls, these wonderful people to find God! Stay with us, stay with the pastors who are church planters, and with those who pastor a poor church like Boranesti, Orsova or Cordun. Be a sponsor partner with one of this church buildings.

Support a Bible school, or a leadership seminar which is a growing extension to reach to other town and villages. Help to reach other precious people with the good news.



Pray for the Life Center to continue to bring fullness of life and fulfillment in many lives to come!

Pray for me, my wife and our children,

Thanks,

*John and Viorica Dolinschi*

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