

Alex and Heather Update Jan '26

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Happy New Year!

Welcome to 2026 and we pray that it will be a year of Blessings and Restoration for you and your family!

We have heard it so many times that January is a long and hard month and wasn't it just with the extreme weather both in Romania and the UK, with lots of snow and temperatures around -20C in Poiana. It is a difficult time for people, and we also had the usual burst pipes in the church due to the freezing temperatures, but as January comes to a close, we can look forward to Spring with new hope and new growth!

We hope that the pictures and the news will put a smile on your face when you see the amazing time that we had in Poiana this Christmas.

The children received Christmas presents, families received food parcels and a hot meal. We visited the school several times and the ladies in Cernavoda with Christmas gifts for them and their children, food and supplies of nappies and baby milk.





It was a special time and only made possible by your generous giving! Every year we pray, and God provides through you. You may think that what you give is an insignificant amount, but it makes such a difference to the people in Poiana.

The smile on the face of a child when they receive a gift. The look of gratitude and relief when a food parcel is given to someone when they have no food in the house and they can eat that day. The tears in a mother's eyes when she sees that she has clean nappies and milk for their baby and when medication is supplied to an elderly lady whose income is less than the cost of her medication and she needs it to survive and stay healthy.

Christmas is a special time, but the needs are there the whole year through so please continue to pray for God's provision and how you can help. There is very little, or no help from the government so unless you have a regular salary which many people don't have due to illness or age, and the wages are far below the recommended EU minimum wage.

Some children can't afford to go to school and miss out on the education that is so vital to them, so we also help where we can.

When the temperatures reach -20C and there is no fuel to heat their homes we help where we can.

This is what Jesus said in Matthew 25:40

'And the King will say, 'I tell you the truth. When you did it to one of the least of my brothers and sisters, you did it to me.'

Physical needs must be met before we are able to share the Gospel and just by providing for the need it gives us the opportunity to tell them that God loves them and cares for them.

YOU make a difference! And on behalf of all these people THANK YOU!



There are many plans for 2026, and we are excited to see what God is going to do. We haven't had a sabbatical in 20 years and decided that in Jan and Feb we were taking time out to rest, to seek God and have some fellowship, which is something that we miss so much. God has been speaking to us, and we have been able to meet with some friends and family, which has been a blessing as last year was a difficult year in our family, so it has been good to spend time with them. We will be returning to Poiana in early March so still have a month to seek God and rest.

We will also be sharing about the work that we do in Romania at Renew Church, Uttoxeter on 1st February and King's Christian Centre on 8th February. If you are in the area on those days, then we would love to see you.

Please continue to pray for us at this special time and that we will continue to hear from God and for His provision during this time.

Also, for the people who are running the church whilst we are away.

The day before we left Poiana we met a young woman, called Nicoleta, who had come to the children and youth clubs when she was younger. We hadn't seen her for years as she had married and moved away. When she saw us, she gave a huge hug and told us that she had become a Christian and was attending church! What an encouragement and an amazing testimony of God's faithfulness!

We have 1,000's of pictures but hope you enjoy the ones we have shared and rejoice with us as to what God is doing in the lives of these people!

Thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter and please continue to pray for us and please keep in touch,

Love and Blessings,

Alex and Heather X

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