



Activity Report for the month of April 2008

Home for orphaned girls in Romania

“They overcame Satan by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony...” Rev 12:11



Daniela & Josh McDowell

So blessed we were to be able to take our children, and a number of other people, to hear a powerful word and strong testimony from legendary Christian author and speaker, Mr. Josh McDowell. He came to Bucharest for two nights of meetings. The first night was a challenge to parents and youth leaders on the benefits of building a strong relationship with our children, as protection for them against self destructive lifestyles and practices. The second night was an evangelistic night where he started out by exposing the lie of the “safe sex” message that is so expounded by many schools and health care professionals. Then he shared his own story of an abused childhood and the incredible healing power of a relationship with Jesus Christ. Given away freely was his powerful best selling book More than a carpenter, which has more than 23 million copies in print world-wide. During the first night of meetings when he was encouraging people to buy some of his books, he mentioned that forty years ago he signed a contract that would exclude him from any royalties from any book he wrote. He has since authored and co-authored over 100 best selling books. Hearing Josh speak and meeting him in person was so encouraging for many of us and a great challenge for all. After hearing him speak the first evening, we filled our large ministry van with as many as possible for the second evening. The van is designed for 14 people, but since many were youth and believing that it would be another powerful, possibly life changing, evening we put a total of 22 people in our van, ready to suffer the consequences if stopped by the police for “bending” the law, to fulfill a higher law.



Our blessed van full of youth

“I TELL YOU THE TRUTH, WHOEVER HEARS MY WORD AND BELIEVES HIM WHO SENT ME HAS ETERNAL LIFE AND WILL NOT BE CONDEMNED; HE HAS CROSSED OVER FROM DEATH TO LIFE”.

John 5:24



The following week we had the opportunity to take our girls to yet another two days of special meetings. These were called Peniel, or Face of God, after the story in Genesis 32:22. After another powerful testimony and very clear gospel presentation, an alter call was given. After receiving God’s irresistible love we are so proud to announce that one of our girls, Mariana, went forward to confirm what we had already seen to be self evident; a new life in Jesus Christ. Whether it was the four plus years Mariana has lived at Bethany House or Josh McDowell’s testimony or Peniel, it doesn’t matter, but rather that someone who was dead in trespasses and sin has crossed over to life. Let’s rejoice with the angels in heaven!

The Bethany House Farm



Spring time brings a lot of work for every farmer. At Bethany House we are no different. At our small farm we have been preparing the soil, pulling weeds, planting seeds and harvesting vegetables from our earlier planting. So far this year we have harvested green onions, radishes, garlic, and spinach. We planted corn in a rented field for the animals we have and bought two piglets, baby chicks, and goslings. A lot of work, but a huge blessing for Bethany House. More importantly, the farm is a home for a



single mom with nowhere else to go and for a young man from an orphanage who is in the same situation, both of these people have moderate handicaps in one form or another. God bless them and heal them.



It is with a great joy and sadness that we announce that a special friend of Bethany House is leaving, but she is moving further on into God's calling for her life. Anita Petrescu came to partner with us at Bethany House after graduating from the Pentecostal Theological Institute of Bucharest in 2004. When she came to us she knew that her heart's desire was to serve God in the nation of Israel. She stayed with us for a little over two years and then went to Spain on a work contract to earn significantly more money than we could afford to pay her at Bethany House. When her work contract finished in Spain, she came back to volunteer at Bethany House until this month when she received an invitation from a ministry called Christian Friends of Israel, located in Jerusalem. God bless you Anita and may He use you in the land that He calls... Holy.

Prayer points, concerns and praises

- ❖ We have a promise for a large new barn and significant other work from Mr. Vlad Miț, the Director General of PREFAB, a large local company. Please pray for Mr. Miț's health and that of his family, and for a continued good relationship.
- ❖ After consultations with the local authorities we have submitted a request for seven more children. Please pray that God superintends the whole process of who comes to Bethany House and that we are able to be the family that these new children need. And also please pray for some new partners to be house parents with us here. At our meeting with the authorities they wrote a very nice letter of recommendation for Bethany House that we will share when we send out our next mailing.
- ❖ One of our girls, Simona, has received an official letter of acceptance and a full 1 year scholarship from Christ for the Nations Institute - Dallas, Texas. Please pray that we can help her raise the necessary travel money and that she can take advantage of this once in a life time opportunity.



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