



The bread project is going well, thank you to all who have contributed. We have now settled down to providing approx. 18 people a loaf of bread 3 times a week.



Praise Points:

- * Provision of finances for the continued running of all the ACA projects in Romania
- * Successful re-opening of kindergartens
- * Good progress on renovations of old workshop to be available for Kindergarten
- * Nearing completion on the building projects at Meralina's & Mariana's
- * Provision of finances to start the build project for the Corca family
- * We thank God for everyone of you who supports this work in Romania
- * For donation of a pallet of clothes (including transport) - awaiting arrival any day now!

Prayer Points:

- * Pray for continued wisdom in all aspects of running the charity
- * For protection from covid for ACA workers and our friends in and around Vulcan
- * For all those who sat under Les' ministry—for a deepening relationship with God, that would impact their lives and the lives of those around them

Thank you once again for all your support.
Malcolm, Paul, Anna, Nelu, Miki & Irene

NEWS FROM AURORA CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, VULCAN, ROMANIA – March 2022

The LORD, the God of armies, The LORD is His name.
So as for you, return to your God, maintain kindness and justice, and wait for your God continually. Hosea 12:5-6
Ascribe greatness to our God! The Rock! His work is perfect, For all His ways are just; A God of faithfulness and without injustice, Righteous and just is He. Deut 32: 3b-4

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In a time where there have been many ups and downs, a lot of changes to lifestyle, travel, working practices, etc. we have a God who is unchanging. The writer to the Hebrews tells us, He is the same yesterday, today and forever. What a great reassurance this is.
It has been a little while since the last update in the autumn on ACA in Romania.

Kindergarten — Both Kindergarten classes had to open and close in line with Government regulations, but are both now fully open.



Since our last update we have had some children with special needs join our kindergartens and hope some more will join us soon. Bearing this in mind we are looking for ways to meet their needs within the kindergartens' setting, e.g. purchasing specialised furniture, as this will help them mix with other children which is important for their development. Some exciting news is that Nelu is in the process of renovating his old workshop to create a new kindergarten for the older children that currently are in a room in the Baptist church. It has 2 floors. The current plan is to use the large room upstairs for the



kindergarten. There will be 3 toilets, a shower & washing machine. There are 2 staircases to meet fire regulations. There will also be a downstairs room, but has not yet been decided how this will be used.

We hope to move the older kindergarten into the new building later this year. We hope the new kindergarten will be a good start for all of the children's education.

Following the success of re-starting Table Top Sales at Rora, we had another one in December. It was well attended, with lots of tea, coffee and mince pies consumed! Once again we raised money for ACA. Next sale is in the diary for Sat 2nd April.



Before Christmas the young people from the Pentecostal church in Vulcan were able to visit old people up in the hills, to deliver food parcels and sing Christmas Carols.



There was some snow on the ground, but that didn't deter them. As always they received a warm reception. Sometimes these precious old people could go days without having any company.

They also were able to visit Merelina and her extended family (& Mariana — our 2 current

building projects), in the nearby village of Tauhan. You can see Merelina's new house in the background, along with the kitchen extension which is in progress.



↑ Merelina & family

↑ a few weeks later the roof was on!

Both of these building projects will be completed this spring.

ACA have already identified another family that we would like to help with a building project, in the gypsy area of Vulcan. The Corca family are well known to ACA. Christine helped Maria a lot, during her many visits to Romania. Vasile & Maria have 11 children with most of them still living at home. 5 of the boys are under 18 with the others all being adults. They also have 4 grandchildren living with them & Vasile's brother Gheorghe, who has Downs Syndrome. 2 of the sons work for Nelu & Irene taught 5 of the children basic reading & writing when she first came to Romania. The family live in a courtyard & ACA is providing funds for them to purchase building materials to add a kitchen & bathroom to their property for all the family to use. They are hard-working & will complete the work themselves. We praise God for His abundant provision & that we can show His love to this family.



Vasile & Maria and some of the extended family!

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We were thrilled that Les Wheeldon was recently able to visit Romania to hold a series of Bible Ministry meetings in the churches that ACA has links with. Pete Trevelyan, who is an elder in the church at Rora, travelled with Les, and wrote this piece for the Rora newsletter. I thought it was apt to reproduce here:

BUILDING ON GOOD FOUNDATIONS!

The involvement of Rora with Romania goes back a long way and has its roots in the communist era when Malcolm and Christine (including Anna) would smuggle Bibles with "Open Doors". Given the tensions and mutual trust needed, strong bonds of friendship were formed that last to this day, often through the next generation. After the revolution of 1989/90 a more permanent work started and finally settled in the village of Vulcan, not far from Brasov. Conferences were held and many were blessed. The vision was to always work with

local churches and there are particularly strong ties with the local Pentecostal church, but not exclusively. Les first came to speak at one of these conferences in 1992 and has been a regular visitor ever since. The work has changed over many years, but there has always been a strong link with Les and the local churches who have taken him to their hearts. This year his time was spent mainly between the three local Pentecostal churches i.e. Vulcan, Codlea and Zarnesti. Les spent a week each at Vulcan and Zarnesti and the second Sunday in Codlea; the first Sunday being spent at Bran (an independent church) with Gary and Nico Sims. Key to this work is Miki and Nelu's great leadership in coordinating all the speaking arrangements. The meetings were very profitable and many heard things they had never heard before. That so many have heard the "Word" through Les is a testament to all the foundational work of Malcolm and Christine, plus many helpers. - *Pete Trevelyan*



↑ Les preaching with Miki translating