We recently moved to the capital city here in Moldova, Living in Chisinau will come with several blessings that we would like to share with you.

Many of you have been praying for us to progress with learning Russian. While the classroom aspect of our learning was excellent, we were very much lacking the situations to practice it in Hincesti. Hincesti primarily uses Romanian, but the capital city, Chisinau, is full of people who only speak Russian.

In addition to being able to progress more with conversation in Russian here, we are able to be a part of a church here that uses both Russian and Romanian in its ministry.

Through the move, the Lord gave us several opportunities to plant and water the Gospel seed. Our language teacher, who taught us Romanian and a year of Russian, invited us over for supper before we moved. She told us that her husband (who speak Russian), recently heard an argument between an Orthodox and a Seventh-Day Adventist. Through this, he realized that he needs to read and study the Bible to find out the truth. Our teacher asked us if we could get him a Russian Bible. When we had supper with them, we gave him the Bible, explained the need of salvation to begin to really understand the Bible, and how to study the Bible. Please pray for this dear family's salvation and growth in the Lord.

In order to move our furniture, we had to find a person with a large van to drive our belongings to the capital. During the move, I had the privilege of sharing the Gospel with the vehicle owner, Oleg. He had many questions and was wanting to learn more. Please pray that he will read the Gospel

## material I gave him, search the Scriptures, and trust in Christ.

I also did get to meet with Peter before our move. He truly has lost any purpose in life since his wife passed away a year ago. He was more open to the Gospel this time but still no decision. I left him with a book explaining the Gospel clearly from the Bible. In addition to Peter, there have been a number of others to whom we have preached the Gospel. I gave the list of these contacts to Dan Ford, the missionary there in Hincesti, who will continue to follow up with these people. Please continue to pray for these people as Bro. Ford and the people in the church of Hincesti minister to those in their own town.



The children at the Soroca Fotress (established by Stephen the Great in 1499)

Another large blessing in our move to Chisinau is the fact that we now live an hour closer to Soroca. Through the survey work that missionary Jacob the Lord would have us work in the city of Soroca to plant a church our next giving to us this year. Have a Merry term. Soroca is the capital city of the region of Soroca. In the region, there is no Baptist church establish. In the Please note our new mailing address: region below Soroca, there are only C.P. 3009 three Baptist churches. Our goal is to Chisinău 2071 establish churches in these northern Republic of Moldova, EUROPE

## December 2012

**Prayer Requests & Praises:** 

- Praise the Lord for showing us where He wants us to work after furlough.
- Praise the Lord for the lives touched and lessons learned during our time in Hincesti.
- Pray that those to whom we have preached the Gospel will repent and trust in Christ as Savior and God.
- Pray for continual progress in learning Russian and more opportunities now to practice it.
- Pray for Stephanie to have a safe pregnancy and healthy baby.
- Pray for our furlough preparations.
- Pray for us to find a home in Soroca for second term.
- Thank you for your prayers and financial support!

regions here in Moldova. There are over 37,000 people in the city of Soroca and over 190,000 people in these two regions. Please pray for us to find a home and for our preparation for church-planting efforts next term.

From Hincesti, we lived about an hour away from the hospital in the capital city. Now we live about six minutes away. The Lord has blessed us with another little missionary who is expected to be born at the beginning of July. Due to our plans to have the birth here in Moldova, our furlough will be pushed back until August. Please prav Hughes and I had done, we believe that for a safe pregnancy and healthy baby.

> Thank you for your prayers and Christmas and God bless you in the coming year.