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Fragile and temporary do not equal not important. Toilet paper is both and yet seems to be very important right now. But seriously, in times like this, people begin to see the truth in Scripture that man is like the flowers and grass in the fields that grow, bloom, and die. Though man is more aware of being fragile and his life on earth temporary, he is of great value to God.

CORONAVIRUS

You may find it interesting that the Russian word for "crown" is "корона" (pronounced "kah-RO-nuh") and the Romanian word is "coroană" (pronounced "ko-ROA-nuh"). Yes, that virus crowned with spikes is here, too. As I write, there are 8 confirmed cases with others being suspected of it and being tested. In order to prevent a serious situation like the current one in Italy, the government of Moldova has established a code red for two weeks, banned all foreigners without residency here from flying into the country, closed all schools and universities, and requested that all churches of all faiths not meet for a couple weeks. As a result of all this, we will not be having our children's Bible club, Sunday services, nor midweek service. **Please pray for the government to have wisdom in helping to curb the spread of the virus.** Though the death toll currently is low, every life is of value to God.

LBC MISSION TEAM

Due to the restrictions listed above, the mission team we were expecting will not be able to come this month. Lord willing, we will be able to reschedule for a later time. God has a purpose and a plan in all this.

WOMEN'S EVANGELIZATION

With the 8th of March being International Women's Day, we decided to use our monthly ladies Bible study on Saturday, March 7th, to invite women from town to a special program that included lunch, craft, games, and Bible study. We praise the Lord that we had 12 Moldovan women attend. Viola gave the Gospel in her Bible lesson. **Please pray for the lost who attended to further seek the Lord and be open to further discussion about Christ.**

One of the ladies who came was the faithful lady who used to come to our ESL lessons and stayed afterward for the Bible study each week. Yesterday I spoke with her and her husband for three hours. She has heard the Gospel from us before but not her husband. When I asked if they would like

me to start the chronological Bible study with them, he quickly responded with a "yes!" **Please pray for Ala and her husband as I begin the Bible study soon. They are valuable to God.**



MENTORING FUTURE MEN

Each week, we run a Bible Club at a children's home in the town just north of Soroca. The boys there, though, have few, if any, men that are investing in them at the center. I have had in mind a while to add in a time just for the boys. After the restrictions from the virus pass, I plan to stay after the regular program in order to focus on the boys, teaching them pertinent skills and character traits that men should have. I want to give biblical teaching to boys their age (12-14) that would be helpful for the challenges they face. **Please pray for me as I seek to mentor them and for them to respond positively to it. They are important to God.**

THE NEED FOR MEN

In a world where women often tend to be the most faithful to the Lord, every missionary yearns for faithful men. Two men in particular, "M" and "V," have potential. I mentioned "M" in our last prayer letter. We have kept in touch, but we have not been able to meet and talk more of the Gospel due to things he has going on. "V" continues to come to our midweek Bible study and prayer meeting. **Please pray that we will be able to meet outside of service when he isn't working, as I have been offering to him.**

Life on this earth is truly like a vapor that appears for a little time then vanishes away. These precious souls need saved from sin and to become followers of Christ. They are of a very precious in God's eyes and ours, too. **Thank you for your prayers and support that allows us to focus on working to make disciples for our Lord and Savior.**