

The GROSS Family

serving Christ in

Moldova





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A lot has transpired since our last prayer letter, thus I will just jump into the update.

April

Our Resurrection program at the Soroca Penitentiary for the officers and the program in Bulboci both went well. During a holiday that is buried in superstitions and traditions, it was a blessing to share the truth of Christ's resurrection and its significance in our lives.

May

During May, Stephanie's parents came to visit for two weeks, and we took a family vacation in Romania. While in Romania, we met with some friends of ours. Among them was the Muldoon family, new missionaries to the deaf in Romania. What a blessing to spend some time with them and their children.

June

June was full of VBS prep, including getting up a porch roof that could be used for VBS at our house. We were able to get most of it up in time and cover it with a temporary tarp. In addition to the regular Bible studies and services, I have enjoyed the weekly meetings with "V." He is the English-speaking man seeking God that I mentioned in our last prayer letter. He is growing in his understanding of Scripture as we go through the chronological Bible study. He has become a friend I look forward to spending time with each week.

July

We have three weeks of VBS scheduled for July. The first week was at our house and went well. We had 37 different Moldovan's come, ranging from 4 years to 13 years old. We still have two more weeks of VBS the last two weeks of July, one in Bulboci, and the other in Soroca. Please pray for us to have endurance and the Spirit's enablement.







Ben and Marie Muldoon

Back in March, I had given Stephanie's number to a woman I had met who was seeking God. After losing my wife's number, she decided to try to find our church's contact info online. She called this past week and asked us to visit her at the hospital. "M" has been seeking for God through Hinduism and other religions. When she married an Orthodox man and was baptized in his religion, she had questions about things in the Bible, but the priest would not answer her questions. Please pray for "M" to continue seeking the Lord and for her to meet with Stephanie when she gets out of the hospital. Please also pray for her son who is battling a serious illness.

This week, I received a phone call from our lawyer. He said that the recent overhaul of the immigration laws in Moldova has complicated the granting of residence permits for foreigners. They are granting only one year permits or denying

them completely. He recommended we apply for citizenship. Please pray for wisdom as we look into this option.

Thank you for your prayers and support!





