



Pelunca

ON THE FIELD

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Hello dear people.

Again a lot to tell, but I always try to summarize it as briefly as possible. As usual, the summer months were again fully booked with camps, groups and individual visits. Pretty busy.

Global Encounters Team

At the end of June we had the team from America (Global encounters) on our side again. A week of very finely crafted children's programs for the children of Geoagiu and Romos. Always a huge blessing for the children, but also for us.

The Americans are always so well prepared and therefore bring most of the necessary items themselves. So this also means extremely little preparation for us. Only translators are provided so that they can divide the children into several groups. And for the rest we enjoy singing, sports, games, crafts and drama. And of course afterwards some nice chatting with the American friends.

Also always tremendously nice that we could all go to Jan and Gerry (Foundation Help Through Grace) in the evening to enjoy a nice hot meal.



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Teenage camp with four churches together

After this we had camp number 1, a teenage camp. Again in a very beautiful location in the mountains, we were allowed to invest a week in the youth of four churches. It was blissful to see such driven young people. Each morning we started with a time of worship, followed by a word, followed by prayer.

Then it was battle by group for the most points during the games. Or also there were some very tough but wonderful hikes. Then in the evening, we concluded the day as it began. Worship, Word, prayer. It was so blissful to see how hungry for God's Word these young people were. Even the times of praying for each other sometimes extended to midnight.

It was a very intense and heavy, but oh so blessed week. Glad we could be there.



Building Team 'Stichting In De Vrijheid'

While camp number one was going on, Samuel and Annelies took care of a group from the Netherlands (Stichting in de Vrijheid). Pe lunca came into contact with this construction team thanks to Samuel, and Samuel did not flinch when we asked him to take on this completely. Their own house was still uninhabitable, but this did not stop Samuel and Annelies at all to completely stop their own work for two weeks in order to focus on this group.

Two weeks flew in construction work in Geoagiu. A full house was built for an old widower, a roof was made and some other renovations were done. Bavo also helped very diligently with construction work. And at the home base, Annelies and Salina took care of meals and laundry for the hard workers. After these two weeks, "Stichting in de vrijheid" decided that they would return again with another team at the end of September.

This foundation also provides their own budgets for what they want to do! Wonderful! Samuel and Annelies are definitely staying with us [👉](#).



Childrens camp in the mountains

Then camp number 2. This camp was then again in the mountains of Varmaga, with the children and youth of Romos and Vaidei. And even for the very first time some children from Geoagiu. Also for the Osaer family a first Pe lunca camp and was again a very beautiful camp. We were greatly blessed by the cooperation with a team from Scotland (Carpathian Aid) who were at our service. It was a very pleasant cooperation.

Each one of this Scottish team had taken the initiative to set up a fundraise. Someone climbed the highest mountains in Scotland, someone else rode a bicycle from one side of the country to the other, performances were organized....

Thanks to their efforts we did not have to worry about the financial part. Even better, we also received a very nice donation for the camp from the children's club of the evangelical church De Hoeksteen from Belgium. We were able to pay for the transportation of the children and purchase materials we needed for the camp. There was even some left over. We keep this especially for working with these kids.

And this camp got a very nice conclusion. Also the team from Scotland enjoyed the cooperation enormously, so they decided together that they wanted a partnership with us. This means that from now on 'Carpathian Aid' will send a team every year to help us and will also look to fund this camp every year. What a blessing!!!



After camp time for Belgium

After camp number two, we had another week to enjoy the company of the Delbeque family. All of us were exhausted after camp.

And then it was time for us to go back to Belgium. For the first time in over 8 years, we finally took it easy in Belgium and were able to return from a blessed time in our homeland. Visiting family and friends and finally having another three Sundays in a row at our oh so missed home church Effatha. The tropical climate in Belgium was also a huge relief :D

Samuel and Annelies take care of Pe lunca

While we were in Belgium, Samuel and Annelies received even more visitors and helping hands. So they could continue working in their house, finishing renovation works in Geoagiu, but also the kitchen in the barn was made. They certainly don't have sitting bottoms.

We are very grateful to have them here and very happy that they too are enjoying themselves. Meanwhile, the whole family is enjoying their place in Pischinti and the children can play in their large garden. Just wonderful how our children and their children also get along with each other.



The center in Geoagiu

The center in Geoagiu still remains a huge prayer point. The wood for the construction of the floor and the enclosure of the courtyard is already on site, but for now we lack finances to continue paying the contractor. Please pray with us for finances for this.

Also, a social worker who wants to do accreditation for us still remains a prayer point. Nobody seems to have time for this or wants to work for the benefit of the Roma population. Once this dossier is completed, the center can finally open again! Pray, pray, pray! We are so longing for this!

So, I think I have about summed up the main things. We are so thankful for everything that can still be done, for all the groups and collaborations that the Lord is arranging for us. So blessed to see how God is still pulling all the strings. To Him be all honor and glory!!!

Do you like our project and would you like to help us, to give others a better life? This can be done by:

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PRAYER

- Budgets continue to be needed for the center. For now works are at a standstill, please pray with us that we can move forward again.
- The search for a social worker continues. Please pray that we may find someone.
- Please pray for the Osaer family, they are adjusting well but still need to master the language.
- Also continue to pray for good cooperation, a beautiful friendship. In short, for unity that bears witness to His reality.
- We would like to ask you to pray for our Lowie. Socially he finds it difficult to get along with his peers and therefore often becomes the target of bullying. Fortunately, Jesus is his Source of Strength.
- For Isaac, who thanks to the Lord ended up with Sam and Annelies in Pe lunca. He has a difficult past behind him, but wants to change it together with the Lord.
- Tijs seems to relapse with hip problems, but we believe and continue to pray for full recovery.
- Please pray with us for Cristina, that the door within Pe lunca may open again for her.
- Please pray that at all times His will will be done, that we never fall short of faith and strength. Pray that we will be deemed worthy and that our King will always receive all honor and glory, every day, in everything!

SPONSORS

PROJECTS

- Create social surveys and help with basic needs
- Pe Lunca Family Files (PFF): build houses, rebuild, purchase stoves.
- Pe Lunca Food Parcels (PFP): Compose - distribute foodpackages
- Pe Lunca Child Program (PCP): Financially adopt a child
- Pe Lunca Build Program (PBP): Building a community centre
- Provide baby's with powdered milk
- Sort clothing and give packages to the families
- Child and youth activities (sports, games, relaxation, bible reading)
- Medical Support (Doctor, Purchase of medicines, ...)
- Social support (helping teenage mothers, provide ID cards and other papers)

THANKS

- Thanks to our friend Marius, who provided all the electricity in the common room for the visitors and groups.
- Grateful for all the donations for the center, our contractor Marius who tries very hard, for everything that could already be done to the center in Geoagiu.
- Grateful for all the teams we have had so far this year from England, America, Scotland, Romania, two from Belgium and two from the Netherlands.
- Also for the Osaer family we are very grateful! Glad that they already feel completely at home here in Romania. We are blessed to have these people as colleagues, friends and even family.
- Also Samuel's incredibly extensive professional knowledge is a huge asset to Pe Lunca.
- Extremely grateful for the minibus that Amen-Trust arranged for us.
- Also immensely grateful for the two camps, always so special to see the Lord at work again, and again!
- Our thanks could not be greater for the two partnerships we have. Amen-Trust, which has been a huge blessing to Pe Lunca for years. And so now we also have Carpathian Aid on our side.
- We also enjoyed a few weeks in Belgium. Grateful to see friends and family again. - Grateful that despite the changes in PrintDesign they are still willing to help us with the website and newsletters.
- So grateful for all we can do, but especially for His guiding hand and His oh so warm Father heart!

The logo for COTTIGNIES features the name in a bold, sans-serif font. To the right of the text is a stylized graphic of a building or a series of vertical bars of varying heights, rendered in a golden-brown color.The logo for Tuinen SANDER features the name in a green, serif font. To the right of the text is a stylized tree with a dense canopy of leaves. Below the name and tree is the tagline "Tuinaanleg en onderhoud" in a smaller, black, sans-serif font.