



Pelunca

ON THE FIELD



Heyhey good people!

Computer, or better said, tablet is on, one liter of coffee in front of my nose, so newsletter 15 is ready to be typed. We're looking back on a very busy, intense, but interesting period. From half May until half September we had visitors after visitors staying over.

So we sure did work a lot, shared a lot and experienced a lot.

We also got a lot of new relationships and contacts for free. We can only be very thankful!



A bussy, but nice summer

The rest of the summer went its 'normal' way. Together with the many visitors we had we did children programs, clothes were sorted and parcels handed out, extra social lists were made, a lot of visits been done, materials were bought and handed, ...



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Domain in Geoagiu

The first groups visiting

The purchase of the domain in Geoagiu is finished, so now everything is officially registered on the name of 'Pe lunca'. We just received the keys and immediately we had a very enthusiastic group from Holland coming over.

Together with that group we started working in the building. The old electricity went out, rusty metal bars and gate were threaded and painted, and outside everything got cleaned up.

It was a good job and an important one. Because the week after we received a group from America who came to work with the children.



Finally we could start our rooms

We opened up the roof of our own house. Meanwhile the whole roof is renewed and on one side we made the roof a bit higher so three rooms can be made. This will be so much better, because now we only have two rooms for the five of us. And the children's room is also their playroom. But the biggest problem was still the humidity in the walls, it's just very unhealthy to sleep in there. So once it will be finished, we will sleep high and dry. Hopefully we will be able to finish it before winter starts. Then we finally will have three bedrooms upstairs. The children's room now will then only be the playroom, and our room now will be the bureau. So also the bookkeeping, mails, newsletters, messages, working on the website, ... will no longer need to happen in our kitchen with kids around. It will be a big improvement to which we are very much looking forward.



The renovations in Geoagiu

We also started some renovation works at the property in Geoagiu. Windows were putted and some brick walls were made. We received a beautiful donation from the organization AmenTrust in England, so the renovations will keep going on for a while. First new electricity and water pipes, then the concrete, plastering the walls, placing a kitchen, It'll keep us quite busy for a while, but we are more than willing. We can't hardly wait to start having all kinds of programs there. Especially with our first volunteer we have now, we only get more and more enthusiastic. All so exciting!!

Our plan to build about twenty houses in Orăștie was on hold for the last period, but recently it seems that things start moving again. As soon as we can make a little time for this, we will start with the construction plans. And once we have these we're heading to the mayors office again. Then hopefully it will be good enough according to his conditions. Once everything is approved and the mayor still wants to give us the piece of land he promised, than finally we will be able to start building. That is off course if enough money comes in.

Renewing and children programs

That group arranged everything themselves, the plays, the games, the crafts, ... and we were present with at least five voluntary translators.

A whole week we had programs with the children from Geoagiu, as from Romos. The children were divided in five groups and we worked with a certain system that went very well.

The children had the time of their lives, the Americans as the translators did an awesome job, and also we enjoyed and learned from everything that was going on. What an amazing kickstart with children programs we had!

The local people immediately saw that our intentions are only good, and a fresh wind of hope was blown over the Roma community. It's so great how our Lord arranges everything for us!



A new truck full of relief goods!

In the middle of September our good friend and loyal truck driver Samuel got here again, together with farmer Jan, with a full truck and an extra trailer, stuffed with relief goods.

Thankfully we had a small group of four young men staying over and they were very happy to help unloading the truck. Also some people from the neighborhood dropped by to help us as much as they could. In about six hours of hard work the truck was emptied and almost everything was put in our barn, sorted per kind. What a job!

We are so thankful for everyone who helped us. If it wasn't for all the courageous people in Belgium and the generous givers, we wouldn't have a thing transported to us.

So also for these people, 'thank you all so much'.



Our volunteers

Like I mentioned before we welcomed our first EVS-volunteer (European Voluntary Service via Erasmus+). Maria Cristina Colonnelli comes from Italy and is a very motivated and studious young woman. We are very happy to have her with us for the next six months.

At the end of September our second volunteer arrives. Clara will be coming from Germany and will strengthen our team for seven months. We're looking forward to have her also amongst us. Helping hands, can only be good.

The first week of October we're having a group from Holland again. Together with that group we will replace windows and doors again in the Roma village of Geoagiu and we will also do extra children programs. Then on the sixth of October we're heading to our home country again.

Two weeks of visiting people. So this was about it. In big lines I told the most important things I guess. By the time I was done writing everything in Dutch the coffee was already gone. But I stayed strong and kept going on with the translation, and I'm still good. Except for the contractions in my left eye.

God bless everybody!!!



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

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Single donation or monthly amount.

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PRAYER

- Pray for the group from Holland, at the beginning of October. That everything we will do goes well and save like always.
- Pray for the people that won't receive a window or door this time, so that they are able to have peace with it.
- Pray for the renovation works in Geoagiu and that our building plans will be approved.
- For the building plans in Orăștie, that there finally will be a good start and that we will continue having a good understanding with the mayor.
- For the people who are soon gonna face a hard winter again, that enough help can come to get their houses ready for the winter.
- For the rooms we're making at home, that we will have enough finances and that also we will be able to finish it before winter.
- For all the pregnant teenagers, that we will have enough finances to help them get treatment and to guide them.
- Pray for Rosalie and Jessica, everything is fine with them except that Rosalie wakes up a lot during the night, which makes it very hard sometimes for my lovely wife.
- Pray for our EVS-volunteers, that they will have the time of their lives.
- Pray that we'll keep on having enough faith and that whatever we do will always be His will.

PROJECTS

- Create social surveys and help with basic needs
- Pelunca Family Files (PFF): build houses, rebuild, purchase stoves.
- Pelunca Food Parcels (PFP): Compose and distribute food packages
- Provide baby's with powdered milk
- Sort clothing and give packages to the families
- Child- and youth activities (sports, games, relaxation, biblereading)
- Medical Support (Doctor, Purchase of medicines, ...)
- Social support (helping teenage mothers, provide ID cards and other papers)

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- thankful for the domain we now have in Geoagiu and for everything that we will be doing over there.
- For Amen-Trust trust, their support and good understanding
- For the many visitors we had, the help, the encouragements, the growth
- For new relationships, contacts and friends.
- For the new transport we had and that we were able to store it all
- For our EVS-volunteers
- For everything we can do and for you who help us to realize it all
- For all the generous givers and everyone who supports us with their prayers
- But above all we're thankful to our Lord who is The Source of life and for Who we do what we do. For Him who looks after the ones that no one is looking after. To Him be all the honor, praise and glory!!!