



# Pelunca

## ON THE FIELD

### Hello all!

While Jessica and Bavo are enjoying the sunny weather among the people of Geoagiu, I am inside typing this newsletter. Poor me. Just kidding, it certainly can't hurt to stay inside for a while because last week my head was already badly burned by the deceptive sunrays. We finally got to work on the further renovations to the center.



Before we start with the letter, we first want to announce that we had to say goodbye to our dear Filimon. Fortunately, he was helped a lot and he had one last warm winter because of the support we received for him from you. This is not goodbye, but let's say: 'see you later dear friend!'

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## FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Single donation or monthly amount.

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## PRAYER

- A few more papers have to be arranged for Geoagiu. It took us a while, but please pray that it may be all right now.
- The renovations in Geoagiu will be a major job. But we have faith. Please pray for the finances for this. For phase 2 we already received a nice donation from Amen Trust from England!
- An agreement was made with a firm to implement phase 2. This phase will cost us approximately € 15,000.
- We finally started the homework program again. Pray for the children that they will all return to school and that they catch up the lost time and lessons.
- Now hopefully soon a start of the weekly children's programs, and then it can't go wrong anymore!
- Please keep praying for us personally? Our children have a really hard time because they miss their family and friends so much. Maybe April will bring a chance to visit after all ?!
- For protection, wisdom, peace, love, ...
- Pray that we will always have enough faith in everything and that we will continue to look to Him and Him alone.

## 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
- Pelunca Child Program: Financially adopt a child
- 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)

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## THANKS

- Big thanks to Thibo Talloen and Josiah Soetaert for adding the construction project to the website! So grateful for all their help and their work they are doing for the project.
- This wonderful newsletter has also been made with the necessary care by Thibo. Thank you Thibo!
- For all our volunteers we can always count on. Some have been with us for several years now. We certainly do not take this for granted.
- Grateful that Cristina is back with us. Forgive and forget. A lesson for each of us. In this way we have a wonderful workforce in our midst again, for which we can be so grateful.
- Donations go in and out, people's lives change, together we really make a difference. Thank you!!!
- Our new storage in Geoagiu is almost ready! Whoopee!!!!
- We are still so grateful to have Bavo here. He is really committed!!
- We now have nearly 40 children who are sponsored. We pray that the others will also be chosen.
- Grateful that we now have all the money to pay for the paperwork. And even a first instalment for the renovations. Praise the Lord!
- Grateful for all the support we receive. For all the people who pray for us and the project.
- Grateful for our beautiful family!
- So thankful that we can be called a child of God.
- So grateful for His faithfulness, love, consolation, encouragement, reality, miracles, ... His Father's heart!

## Renovating! Here we go again!!

Finally all papers and authorizations are ready. Of course, it wouldn't be Romania if this didn't happen without to many problems, especially if you keep refusing to put money under the table. But even the hard way works and at least we remain correct on our part. So last week we could finally start making a concrete platform on which a 50m2 storage will be made in wood. Once the storage is ready we can move all our stuff that is already stored, and the entire metal construction can be demolished. Once that is done we hope to take the next step together with a contractor. That means the foundation and platform of no less than 350m2. Once this is

done we will continue on our own step by step. Man, so exciting! Now we just have to hope that enough finances will come in, but for now we can go on with the storage anyway. This is step one, step two we'll see. But we believe in it. We are being watched very closely, so we can't afford any mistakes. The rules are very strict and need to be followed very strictly if we want to get the approval to be an official day care centre, once everything is ready. But no worries for tomorrow, everything will be fine. We always consult the best Leader ever.



## Pe Lunca Build Program

Feel free to take a look at our website where our dear Thibo Talloen has again done a magnificent job in creating an extra page related to the building project. On this page you can see and follow for yourself how far things are. Everything was nicely divided into subcategories and so you can see what percentage of each subcategory is already finished and how much is still needed to finish a certain category.

We hope that you will be as enthusiastic as we are, so that we can finish this together as soon as possible. And so we will be able to work with people in a much more intense and profound way. This is going to be so great!



## Home work club started again

Even more good news. Last week we could finally start again with the after-school programs. The children were so happy! And how surprised we were with the large number of children who, without any prompting from us, just went to school as they should. So of course after school we had a full house of enthusiastic, happy children. They did not lose their respect for Doamna Jessy (Mrs. Jessica). On the contrary, their obedience said more than a thousand words.



## Dear Dinah

We are also so very grateful to our dear volunteer Dinah. What a blessing to have her on our team. She is one in a million. Nothing is too difficult and nothing is too much, always in a good mood and always willing. She is great with our kids and our kids love her too. This makes it so much easier for us in moments to get things done while Dinah, with all her love, spends sometimes a full day taking care of our children. How blessed we are!



## Eggs, eggs, eggs, ...

And speaking of blessed. Every day, farmer Bavo collects about 10 to 15 eggs from the chickens. This means that every week several families receive a bag with 10 eggs. Maybe you think "it's just a bag of eggs", but the people are so happy with their eggs. It is really incredible to see how children would run past themselves to get home earlier to tell everyone that they are going to eat eggs. It's incomprehensible. So many people are really hungry, sometimes it takes days before they can eat something, and what do they eat then? And this whole strange corona period doesn't help at all. But, we look forward to the positive things, because there are more than enough of them and it's these that make sure that we keep going at full speed.

And now that spring is seriously on its way, it's time to put the rabbits back together again. So people will not only be able to enjoy fresh eggs, but also a nice bunny now and then. Step by step we teach the people the importance of breeding and a little about the what and how. For us it is obvious, but for the Roma it is not. If you are always walking around cross-eyed from hunger and can't even feed your children, it is logical that you immediately eat what you get instead of patiently waiting for the young to come. Let alone feed the animals and not your children. So this too will be a step-by-step plan.

Also to the rabbits themselves we will have to give a decent explanation I think. We have put them together several times now and still no babies. Breeding like rabbits?! I don't think so!!



Bravo Bavo

Also with our young force Bavo, things are still going very well. Still very enthusiastic, diligent and eager to learn, he does his best in everything. In the meantime he has added many titles to his name. Woodworker, welder, woodcutter, cement maker, shuttering, farmer and animal caretaker, social worker, ... But what he mainly excels in is when he sits down in the sofa or in the car, 'falling asleep within two minutes'. Really a top talent! Just joking, the most wonderful and important title that comes with it is, disciple of Jesus Christ. His search, growth and walk with the Lord is so encouraging! We are blessed to have Bavo here, although he has to learn to stay away from my chocolate bars.

Now, I'm going to stop writing I think. Because of the beautiful sunny days, I am afraid it's harder to stay serious. And anyway I have a few more serious emails to type and by then the sun will be down and I can start enjoying the cold evening.

Anyhow, God's blessing dear friends! To Him be all honor and glory!!!

