

Hello everyone

A difficult decision

As a family, we are going through a rather difficult period. The situation with Madalin seems not to be changing. This makes it very difficult for everyone, gathering new courage every day, but we are reaching the end of our tether. Marie-Lou in particular is suffering a lot from this. Two weeks ago we received an unexpected phone call from the adoption agency. They wanted to start closing the file now, which normally only expires at the end of the month. Therefore, they suddenly gave us only a week to make a final decision. The idea of extending the process was also suddenly no longer possible. This is, of course, very difficult for us.

Marie-Lou finally described very well how she felt during the last six months. As a matter of fact, she was actually speaking for all of us. She made a heart shape with her hands and said to Madalin: "This was our family, one heart, all perfectly connected, love, rest and peace. Together we all decided to open this heart to take you with us. She opened the heart that she had formed with her little hands and said: 'But now we have been trying for six months to close this heart, but it doesn't work, it won't close. The tears stood in her eyes as she said, "And this hurts so much, I want so much for our heart to close again."

Hearing her say this broke our hearts and we finally decided, for the sake of our family, that it might be better to let Madalin go. We continue to pray intensely that we are making the right decision here. We already discussed with the adoption agency that if Madalin leaves for a foster home again, we will hold an open house for him. He will always have a place here and we will be there for him how and where we can. Please continue to pray for Madalin and for our family.

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The barn, will finally get a new roof!

At the end of March, a group of craftsmen led by Hannes Couchez will come for a fortnight. They will come to voluntarily rebuild the whole roof. Hooray, at last! At the moment we are emptying the barn completely. All men's and women's clothes have already been brought to Geoagiu and if the weather is good, we invited people to come and choose clothes in the next days.

During the emptying some weak spots caused by rain were already discovered. Not nice, but what can we expect! The barn will get a completely new roof and on one side they will raise the wall a bit. Quite a job, but it would give us the possibility to receive more groups even more easily in the future. At the moment, we do not have a single euro to pay for this work, but we are confident that by the time the team comes, we will be able to do so. So herewith a very warm appeal! For this project, too, we are talking about a few thousand euros.









See our plans, see our plans!

It has been talked about many times, but now you can also see our plans. This will probably be the biggest challenge so far, but oh so important to be able to continue doing what we have been doing for years. And much more, even.

We are so curious to see how this will be realised. All necessary and required rooms: toilet block, technical room, kitchen, doctor's office, large upper room for sports, games, prayer/worship evenings... And outside a covered terrace for the activities during the lovely heat days.







An answer to prayer!

As far as the groups are concerned, we have already had an answer to our prayers! Unexpectedly, we received a phone call from Belgium and so we are expecting our first 'Belgian Mission Team' at the beginning of April. They will come for a week to help with the humanitarian work.

The groups we aim for in the future are completely focused on discipleship. That the relationships with the Lord will deepen, that the fire will be stirred up in everyone and that this fire will be passed on wherever they return to. That more workers will arise, for the harvest is great.

We would combine these weeks of discipleship with the humanitarian work, stepping out in faith, but certainly also with e.g. hiking in the mountains and so on. God's nature is so beautiful and especially ideal to rest and come to Him. That is why we are so grateful that this prayer was answered, because it is something for which our heart really burns!





Waiting for the bus, if it keeps on driving

Unfortunately it is very sad that our nine-seater is still far from being in a good shape, it is hardly good for pieces. Once this one is completely gone, we are seriously in a pickle.

It's already quite difficult, because we can't use it that much anymore to avoid extra costs. But for the organisation, it is actually very necessary. It is also more than necessary for the groups.

We will need a lot of space to transport everyone anyway. But we just can't risk driving far anymore because the vehicle is in too poor a condition. We really need a trustable minihus

Restrictions almost gone

Fortunately, there is talk that the restrictions will gradually be lifted, which means that several programmes can be started up again. Children's work, mothers and toddlers, after-school homework club, ... We are very enthusiastic and are ready to get down to business again. The children as well, are very impatient. Through these programmes we can work even deeper into the lives of many Roma, but above all, in this way they can taste God's love and truth again and again.

Grateful for our volunteers

Dinah, our dear volunteer from England, is still in England at the moment. She had planned to be back already, but her health is not so good and she has to stay for some more tests. But we are looking forward to having her helping hands and warm heart around us again. She is such a blessing to our family and project. Our handsome Bavo is also still around. He is still 200% committed to the organisation and in his spare time he is mainly busy with various Bible studies, so, doing very well! Now that we have started with the clothes, Alina was ready to help again. Fortunately, because it is always a big job, but the more hands, the lighter the work.







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PRAYER

- Pray for Dinah, this year she has to undergo many examinations for her health. Pray that everything will be over soon and that she will be able to stay with us in good health.
- Pray that God's will, will be very clear for Bavo and that the fire in his heart will never disappear.
- Please include the start-up of our programmes in your prayers, as so much good comes out of these programmes.
- Another, better van would be more than welcome. Please pray that God will also meet this need.
- Please pray with us to get more Teams, that we will be able to encourage many more brothers and sisters and that they in turn will encourage others. That all honour and glory will go to God.
- Please pray with us for the new roof of the barn, that this will be a success, that finances will come in. Pray that everything will go smoothly and safely and above all that it will be a blessing for many.
- Pray that His love will also be visible through the Mission Team and that their hearts will be stirred up even more for our Lord and King.
- Please continue to pray that in everything we do, His Name will be glorified. Pray that we will never fall short in faith, but that we will grasp all that our Lord has in store for us.
- Praised be His Holy Name!

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 distirbute 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
- Childand 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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THANKS

- For a new year that lies ahead of us, full of new experiences and events in which we may again see God at work.
- For the people who still support us and believe in the work we may
 do from and for our Lord.
- Thankful for all the finances that have come in so far, which have made a big difference in many lives.
- For our beautiful family!
- For our volunteers!
- That He loves us!

