

A while ago we mentioned a lady called Doina. She had 4 children and her husband had committed suicide. With the help of a gift, ACA were able to support this family. We recently heard that the Pentecostal church in Zarnesti (a town approx. 10 miles away) had taken this family under their wing, and was renting them an apartment, and providing much needed support. Praise God! This is truly love in action—we are commanded to 'love our neighbour as ourself' and this is also a real life example of what James talks about in chapter 2 v 14-17.

Praise Points:

- * Safe arrival of Thomas and Judah
- * Provision of finances for the running of ACA in Romania
- * Protection of ACA workers and our friends in and around Vulcan during this crisis
- * Nearing completion on the building projects at Meralina's & Mariana's
- * We thank God for everyone of you who supports this work in Romania

Prayer Points:

- * Application for the export licence to enable humanitarian aid to be sent
- * Pray for continued protection during this time with the Coronavirus and to enable people to stand against fear
- * For the churches—that they would have opportunities to share the gospel at this time
- * Pray for Irene as she is at home in the UK, not able to make plans to return to Romania until travel restrictions are lifted
- * Provision of finances for on-going sponsorship, school books & medical

Thank you once again for all your support.
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NEWS FROM AURORA CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, VULCAN, ROMANIA – February 2021

'The LORD is high above all nations and His glory above the heavens!' Psalm 113:4

'and His name will be the Hope of all the world' Matt 12:21



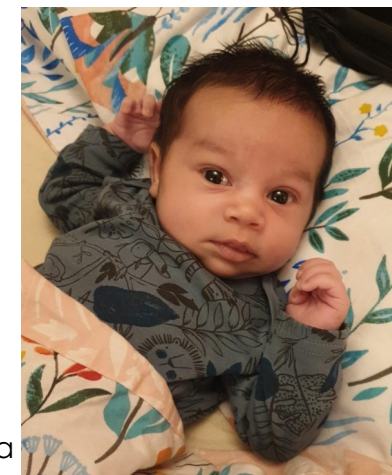
As we are all affected one way or another by this pandemic, and have to adjust our ways of working, we have an assurance and hope that our God is Sovereign.

We are thrilled to let you know that we have 2 new baby boys added to the Romania family!



⇨ Thomas was born on 12th January to Ruben & Jo. He weighed 3.3Kg (approx. 7lb 4oz).

Dani & Ame welcomed Judah into the world on 21st January. Big sister Esther is getting used to having to share Daddy & Mummy!



There were complications with both births, we praise God for the safe arrival of both boys, and the safe-keeping of both Mums.

We have not yet been able to send a lorry in 2021. Since Brexit, ACA are required to have a specific licence to send humanitarian aid. We have applied for this on-line, and are awaiting confirmation of the licence before we being able to book a lorry.

Having been in lockdown since before Christmas, including all the schools and Kindergartens being shut since 11th November, all the children went back to school on 8th February. ACA re-started their 2 Kindergartens on the same day. Miki currently has 17 children in her group, and Andrea has 14 in the younger group. During our visit to Romania in February 2020 Carmen (who had been running the younger kindergarten) expressed her desire to move onto pastures new. We were so grateful for all the years of commitment that Carmen had given to ACA and the kids in Vulcan that had passed through her kindergarten. We prayed about a replacement teacher and approached Andrea Grangor, who attends the Pentecostal church, and who we have known for many years. She has regularly helped Miki & Irene with other activities in ACA and aid sorting and distribution.



First day back at Kindergarten.

The canteen remains closed for the time being. Because of this we're continuing to make up regular food bags for the most vulnerable families.

Irene remains in the UK, in Reading. At this stage she is unable to make any definite plans to return to Romania. Irene is in constant contact with those in Romania, and hopes to return as soon as travel restrictions are lifted.

One thing Miki has been able to do during this quiet period, is liaise directly with the Pharmacy in the village to help ACA provide medicines, medical help, nappies and incontinence pads to those on our lists. We are pleased to say the Pharmacy is more than willing to work directly with ACA & Miki. ACA currently helps approximately 25 people, on a regular monthly basis, purchase essential medicines. We thank God for the regular financial support we receive to enable us to do this.

We are pleased that the building work at Merelina's and Mariana's has progressed, even during lockdown!

Merelina was given some items of furniture and was able to move into her room before Christmas. Such great news! We are hoping to help Merelina build a small kitchen onto the side of her room.

Mariana's family have finished the roof, and Nelu has been able to order the windows.



You may remember a long time ago we told you about a young girl who lived up in the hills, Poiana Murlui, called Andreea, who fell out of a cherry tree and was paralyzed. Andreea has taken up sewing and crafting activities (photos of some items she has made). If anyone has any items that could be used by Andreea to make

items please let us know. It is great that she has found an activity that she is able to do and love!



On-going Needs:

- Household size packets or tins of food
- Babies, children's, and teens clothes
- Baby milk powder, baby bottles, dummies, sudocream, calpol, teething gel,
- Soup or cereal bowls, large plates, mugs, cutlery
- Good saucepans, NOT too small
- Prams, Buggies, Cots
- School Requisites
- School Uniforms
- School Shoes (sizes 10-7)
- Simple Medicines (Paracetamol & Ibuprofen)
- Sponsorship (workers, school bus money, food bags etc)
- Toiletries (soap, shampoo, hand cream, toothpaste)