



Asociația Neemia

Prayer Notes
December 2017

Winter has reached this area, bringing heavy frosts and the first falls of snow of the season. Outside, the scenes look pretty enough for a calendar but indoors staying warm and dry is the priority. The last lorry for this year was delayed by bad weather en route but we give thanks for its safe arrival. Now we have new stocks of clothing and food to help those in need, and once again we pass on their gratitude.

We are now entering the busiest period of our year, especially with the distribution of the Christmas gift boxes. Families who are registered for aid during December will receive boxes as part of their normal aid package but many other families will make a point of visiting the office to ensure that they do not miss out. Add on those people who urgent needs for food or clothing, and this keeps our staff very busy; last year there were some days with over 50 visitors per day. In addition, we provide gift boxes to churches, residential institutions and kindergartens, and many times we are invited to attend special seasonal events, to participate in the distribution of the boxes.

The Kangoo has once again shown its age, this time with the failure of the gearbox. It is no fun driving in traffic when you have only third gear! After a continent-wide search for a replacement gearbox and much anxiety, a local mechanic was asked to dismantle the box to diagnose the problem accurately. He was able to fabricate a fix which should see the vehicle through the winter season when it is so valuable.

Give thanks ...

1. For the arrival of more than expected Christmas boxes, along with several tons of oil, rice and mixed groceries.
2. For good progress on internal preparations at Casa Neemia.

Please pray ...

1. For God's wisdom in managing limited resources during a period when competing demands are at their peak.
2. For the protection and encouragement of AN staff working in difficult conditions at a particularly busy time of year.
3. About the spiritual challenges of our work with the ex-orphanage boys.

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RoAF is essentially a faith-based organisation that relies on prayer. Below and overleaf we offer some prayer pointers, but please feel free to add your own items as they come to mind. Prayer is our connection with God's ultimate power source and, without prayer support, this work would achieve nothing of lasting value.

The Christmas season is upon us and, in theory at least, the RoAF teams can relax a bit after a year in which they collected, prepared and dispatched over 101 tons of aid. In Horley, next year's packing sessions will restart on Friday 5th January, with the warehouse programme resuming the following day.

Give thanks ...

1. For the safe dispatch of two lorries without any major incident.
2. For the recollections of yet another year in which many people have worked together to demonstrate God's concern for those in need.

Please pray ...

1. For some (maybe slightly) younger people to help alongside those whose abilities are not keeping up with their ambitions.
2. For continuing good relations with those who donate so generously.

This month's photos ...

Winter arrives

~ Goods incoming

~ Kangoo in action



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