

Asociația Neemia Prayer Notes September 2018

Maria Condrea has worked with Asociatia Neemia for some 17 years, acting as our office manager and undertaking the day-to-day practicalities of responding to those in need. She built up an encyclopedic knowledge of our beneficiaries and honed the ability to handle those whose demands exceed their fair entitlement. She has turned in her keys and is looking forward to a more relaxed retirement. We welcome Alexandra Ungureanu who has been Maria's understudy for a couple of months and has shown herself to be a worthy successor.

School starts again in mid-September and now families are coming to ask for help. Officially, school is free but there are many obligations with regard to stationery and dress codes. AN has stocks of school bags, pens and paper for the children as well as suitable clothing. We also have craft materials, larger toys and furniture for donation to kindergartens.

Two fatal accidents in a period of seven days have derived two families in the same community of their fathers and principal bread-winners. In the first case, a man returning from working in Italy fell asleep just a few miles from home; his car left the road, hit a tree and overturned. In the second, a local man was bringing in the last of the harvest when the tractor he was driving rolled over and he was crushed by the cabin. Romania has a poor road safety record – often considered to be the worst in Europe – and accidents such as these are a daily feature of the national news broadcasts.

Give thanks ...

1. For Maria's contribution to the success of AN's work.

2. For stocks of 'back to school' items available to help families and the opportunity to provide teaching materials directly to schools.

3. For the 'quiet time' of the summer holidays – about to change abruptly!

Please pray ...

- 1. For those families affected by the accidents described above.
- 2. For safety for the AN staff as they travel about their duties.
- 3. For the prompt healing of serious health situations which are affecting two AN staff families.

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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.

Due to continued ill health, Howard Redwood has had to relinquish his role as a Trustee of RoAF. Craig Buchanan has agreed to become a RoAF Trustee in his place. Craig is originally from South Africa, lives in Horley, works at Gatwick and attends Reigate Baptist Church. He has been to Dorohoi and is familiar with much of the work that AN is doing there.

Give thanks ...

1. For Howard Redwood's contributions to RoAF's activities over a period of many years – may God grant him a speedy recovery.

2. For a large donation of duvets - and those willing to undertake the effort involved in packing and transporting them.

Please pray ...

1. For decisions about the timing of lorries this autumn.

2. For Craig and the other Trustees as they seek God's will for RoAF.

This month's photos ...

Maria ~ Alexandra ~ Craig



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