



Asociația Neemia

Prayer Notes

September 2020

AN has continued to operate with reduced staffing in the office and in the shop. The arrival of a lorry in mid July has allowed us to reduce, to a certain degree, our constraints on helping only the most needy families. We have been able to be a little more generous with giving out clothing and food, and have seen an increase in the numbers of people that we are able to help. In July we gave out goods with a local equivalent value of £3,100 in response to 186 requests for help. This compares with the corresponding figures of £7,900 and 232 for July 2019. In addition to the donation of regular stock we have been able to help with several special projects which have received specific funding from the UK.

September sees the start of the new school year although, as the day draws closer, there is less and less clarity as to how schools can operate whilst maintaining the safety of pupils and staff. We have again been able to supply a selection of stationery and other materials such as carpet tiles. These tiles have an added value in kindergartens this year as they can be used to define personal space for each child.

Other restrictions concerning social distancing and the wearing of masks in certain circumstances are still in force although they are being widely ignored. As a result, some parts of Romania are experiencing large increases in the numbers of COVID cases, although our area area is not one of the hot-spots. This in turn has meant that countries such as Austria and Hungary are introducing restrictions on the movements of foreigners. As these are countries through which our lorries must pass there is still some doubt about our lorry delivery programme for the rest of the year.

Give thanks ...

1. For the safety and good health of our teams, in Romania and the UK.
2. For the ability to step-up our level of help to local people.

Please pray ...

1. For the safety of our staff, especially when interacting with people who may not have the same understanding of the risks involved.
2. For easing of uncertainties affecting the future timing of deliveries.

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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 Horley team completed a very a productive month of sorting and packing whilst using the car park at Horley Baptist Church and our warehouse in Billingshurst. On 11th September we will return to our venue for packing and sorting inside Horley Baptist Church from 13:30 to 15:30 each Friday, but **excluding** 25th September and 4th December.

Please prepare your Christmas shoe boxes to be in Horley on or before Friday 13th November 2020. Thank you for your support

Give thanks ...

1. For the opportunity to reactivate our packing team in Horley.
2. For the loyalty of our volunteers and donors, in many parts of the UK.

Please pray ...

1. For the transport of goods currently in our south Wales warehouse.

This month's photos ...

Beneficiary families



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