

Asociația Neemia Prayer Notes December 2020

The chilly winter weather that, in a normal year, we would have expected a month ago has now arrived. As we all know, this has not been a normal year and many of our usual activities have had to be stopped or modified to meet the changing health advice. Nevertheless, our core team has managed to continued to provide help to the most needy in Dorohoi and areas further afield.

We are very grateful for an unexpected part-load from the south Wales team. It was a new experience for them to use a commercial carrier rather than Richard's dedicated trailer, but it has turned out well. This load comprised eight pallets of clothing plus some other items, and is a helpful addition to our winter stocks. We anticipate one more load, from Billingshurst, before Christmas - that, of course, is subject to the vagaries of the weather and any restrictions on loading activities.

The stock in the shop has finally been changed from items suitable for autumn to those required for winter. At present, the shop is allowed to keep trading and provides an essential trickle of income for us.

The colder weather has brought an increase in the number of requests for firewood and we have been able to help several families in this way. Several young men from Casa Neemia have kept themselves warm by helping to prepare and deliver the firewood.

We understand that the number of Christmas gift boxes will be much lower than normal. This will place additional pressures on those who have to decide who will receive them - not an easy task when supplies have been much more generous in previous years and expectations may not be met.

Give thanks ...

1. For the additional part-load from the south Wales team.

2. For the continuity of our activities despite abnormal circumstances.

Please pray ...

1. For arrangements for the next lorry, expected to arrive in time for the distribution of aid before Christmas.

2. For the distribution of Christmas gift boxes, which is likely to be a very stressful exercise for our team.

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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.

We have had an urgent appeal for second-hand smart phones, suitable for children without computers to use for school lessons. They need to be in good order and capable of running basic apps, preferably with chargers, but we do **not** need the SIM cards. Ensure that all personal data have been removed before donation!

Give thanks ...

1. For the opportunity to clear the Swansea warehouse of clothing and other items that might have suffered during the winter months.

2. For continued access to that building despite poor weather resistance.

Please pray ...

1. For the plans for another lorry in January - this will be the first under any new customs regime that may come into force after Brexit.

2. For guidance for plans further into the new year.

This month's photos ...

Maize for flour ~ Wheels for mobility

Wood for warmth



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