



Asociația Neemia

Prayer Notes
March 2019

Like a hibernating bear, Spring made a brief appearance and then went back to sleep. February is gaining a reputation for promises that March is reluctant to deliver but the aspects of grey and white that dominated the winter scene are slowly acquiring a hint of green. In rural areas the ploughing season has begun and there is an interesting contrast between the commercial enterprises with access to expensive machinery and the majority of smallholders with one or two horses. At least the horses know the way home if the ploughman falls asleep!

This season brings a sense of starting afresh. The privations, and procrastination, of the winter are drawing to an end and it is time to get up and do something to improve one's lot. We can anticipate an increase in opportunities for casual labour in agriculture and construction; one of the major sources of income for many of our beneficiaries. We have received a large supply of vegetable seeds, to be shared with those who have the necessary space and, appropriately for spring cleaning, we have been able to distribute some 800 litres of detergent donated by another local charity

Our associate, Robert, has started a programme of one-to-one meetings with the 'wild bunch' - a group of young men mainly from an orphanage background whose experiences and lifestyle have earned them that nickname. This is not an easy method of outreach, and Robert needs encouragement and prayer support for his initiative.

Give thanks ...

1. For the evidence of the passing of winter and the hope for better times to come.
2. For the resources to continue donations during the winter, especially the large quantity of hand-knitted items and the supply of food.

Please pray ...

1. For a new emphasis on building relationships with needy individuals.
2. About contingency plans intended to mitigate the effects of Brexit.
3. About (sometimes conflicting) changes in legislation that may affect the ways in which RoAF and AN can carry out our activities.

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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.

In addition to our normal items – clothing, bedding, toys, food – from time to time we receive other items such as crutches, decorating materials, soap and mattresses donated in bulk from surplus stock whilst bicycles, computers, musical instruments are examples of individual donations. All these items will, in due course, find a home where they will be valued.

Give thanks ...

1. For the consistent but sometimes surprising ways in which God encourages the continuation of RoAF's work.
2. For goods, finance and willing hands to keep the trucks rolling.

Please pray ...

1. For the two loads being planned for dispatch later in March.
2. For the resolution of water-related problems at our two warehouses - too little water in one case and too much in the other.

This month's photos ...

Support for Steluta ~ Geta mobile again ~ Gheorghe takes off



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