

## Asociația Neemia Prayer Notes September 2023

As is the case in many other parts of the world, Romania is suffering from increases in the cost of living. The national minimum wage is currently 600 Euros per month and an unusually high proportion of the private sector workforce is, officially at least, paid at that level. Directives from the European Commission are intended to raise food and energy prices to closer to western levels but policies to raise incomes are scarce.

Some low-income households do receive state subsidies for food, medicines and electricity but there are many who do not receive them. We continue to receive requests for help with living expenses but our ability to help is very limited. However, we are still able to provide clothing, stationery, bedding and household items from the UK together with some locally sourced food and crops from our land, all of which can help by reducing demands on a household budget.

Autumn tidy-up at the warehouse ...



Give thanks ...

1. For the willingness of Casa Neemia residents to get involved with the various activities that AN undertakes.

## Please pray ...

1. About the cash-flow implications of the reduced range of goods available for our shop. (The shop finances the aid distribution activities)

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## The Romanian Aid Foundation Prayer Notes September 2023

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.

For a good number of years we have received knitted items from several loyal groups of knitters but current regulations no longer permit us to send these items to Romania. However we were able to pass on the items that we had in stock to another charity which sent them to Uganda.

Finally, a reminder that the packing team at Horley has resumed the Friday packing sessions at Horley Baptist Church and Saturday activities at the warehouse in Billingshurst.

## Give thanks ...

- 1. For the benefits of a break and the renewed enthusiasm which follows.
- 2. For an encouraging level of support despite there being so many other valid requests for help.

Please pray ...

1. For those planning the content and the timing of the next consignment of aid for Romania.

Knitted items get a warm reception ...



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