

# Oprescu Family Newsflash



## Autumn

Dear family and friends,

The weather remained fine for a very long time, but now autumn really made its entrance. I promised to send this newsflash faster, so here you are.

It won't be shorter than the last one, though, because when I listed what happened and what was done during the past few months, I realized it was quite a lot!

But I will try to report briefly about what happened.

### PRAYER POINTS

- Give thanks for the education project, and pray for enough funds to be able to go on with this project. Especially for paying the staff.
- Pray for the building project in Tâncă and for the children in this village.
- Pray for long and short term volunteers, we would love to get more Romanian volunteers!



## Groups

During these last two months, three other groups came to visit us. First was a delegation from de Warmlopers ('the warming runners'), a running club in Zwolle, Holland, that gathered a lot of money by means of charity runs to support our work! A few of them came here to help out with building in Tâncă. Also, they organized a special evening for married couples in our church. That was a wonderful experience!

The group from Ommoord, Holland, came in October. They did all kinds of things: building jobs, children's programmes, a ladies' night, an evening for the teenagers, and they brought food parcels. We had a very good week with them!

Immediately after the group from Ommoord, a group of youngsters from Germany arrived. They worked primarily in Tâncă and organized a teenagers' programme in Pauleasca.

For now, we have a winter break as to groups. ☺

## Education

In september zijn ook de na schoolse opvang projecten in alle drie de dorpen weer begonnen. In Tufanu regelen wij het transport van de leraressen van het onderwijs project van het plaatselijke bestuur. Anca, bij ons in dienst om alle drie de projecten te coördineren, begeleidt de leraressen in Tufanu. In Tâncă helpt Anca in de school, na de les. In Pauleasca hebben we meer dan 50 kinderen in het programma en 4 leraressen om hen te begeleiden. Zij komen 4 keer per week, 3 uur lang en leren naast hun huiswerk, ook allerlei (sociale) vaardigheden. We zijn blij om de vooruitgang bij de kinderen te zien!



# Church

In the meantime, evangelization work also continues as usual. We have a weekly children's programme in Tufanu. The children have a hard time concentrating, but they can hold on with creative activities for a long time! Abel and Patricia (from Pauleasca) help us with the programme.

In our church in Pauleasca we got to have another baptismal service: Denisa, one of the teenagers, was baptized! We are happy with the choice she made! Also, we had the privilege to bless a baby who was born 25 weeks into the pregnancy, is staying alive, which is a miracle in itself, and is doing really well!

Gheorghe, our construction man, is finishing his education at the Bible school in order to become a leader in the church. When he started, he could not write or read, and now, after three years, he is progressing very well! He is also very dependable in helping out in our church.

Nelus and Georgiana, who help us with the children, have got a beautiful baby girl.



## Tânca & sewerage

In Tânca, the building has progressed a lot, thanks to the visiting groups. At the moment we are working at the roof with our own team. This is a big job, but we hope to get the roof waterproof winter. Maybe we are even able to cover it with capping plates, but that depends on the funds.

In the meantime, work has been done also on the sewerage of the village, organized by Gomarus- Van der Beek in Holland. This is so much better for the children, who are now able to go to school without getting their feet!



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## Personal news

In our personal lives, we are doing fine.

We had some busy months and also a busy year, with many groups and guests, for ourselves and for the work. Soon, the holidays will begin, and then this year will be over again!

Jenny and Timo have been going to school for quite a while. Timo has some trouble in his group with a couple of Roma children from Tânca, who don't behave well. The teachers hardly do anything with this problem. Unfortunately, badgering and discrimination are handled badly at school.

Jenny is doing finer in Pitești. She does already get extra lessons in the Romanian language, as the level of learning is quite high and there is little explanation.

The Forward Grace church in Zwijndrecht, Holland, of which we are members, has changed its name. This church is now called Connect 078. You have to change this also if you want to give money for our work. Nothing else had changed.



God bless you! With love,  
Florin, Marianne, Jenny, Tim