

SUNDAY WORSHIP BEGINS

Prayer | Love | Action

- November was a month when I focused more on spending time and seeking God for clear direction on the programs that we should start now that the building project is mainly completed.
- It was a difficult month as I had to change the focus from the “practical”, things to the planning stuff, the vision for the next season.
- But I think that with God’s help, the team’s help and with the right heart we will be able to remain obedient in serving the people that God gave us to serve!

Pastor Samuel Goia



Dedication of the “Sharing Life” building

After spending much of the last summer and early fall learning two songs together each week, the kids of Comșești helped to lead worship during the dedication of the Sharing Life building (picture above).

On October 29, 2023, friends from around Romania, England, and even some from America gathered together to officially dedicate back to God all that He has already been doing and commit to following where He leads next in the village ministries. Many people who have been part of ministry, prayer, and investment in this community over the last 10 years were able to come and join together for this time of celebration. It was a time of singing, communion, dedication, and sharing stories of the last 10 years.

After sharing fellowship time and food with friends and family, Sara and Daria Goia were baptised. It was a day that felt like a culmination of all God had been up to while simultaneously feeling like the beginning of all that will come next!





The “Real” Work

While we have been hard at work for the last 10 years building relationships, trust, and a building, we are super excited and thankful to be able to now put all of our focus into the individual needs of the children and families in Comșești. While the responsibility of constructing a physical building is hard work to get everything done and done well, the work we will now be focusing on is more eternal. The completion of the building space means that time is now open for creating new programming for various ages of children, adults, and needs in the community.

For the last few years we have met with everyone on Fridays to have a time of worship and learning followed by time of play. Generally, this has meant children under the age of 12 and some of the moms of the village. Now, Fridays focus on play, crafts, and working on various skills like handwriting and learning the months of the year. One afternoon per week, Samuel is meeting with 4 or 5 of the teenagers for a time of playing together and continuing to build relationships. Our spiritual growth focus has been moved to Sunday mornings in hopes that whole families (including fathers who often are working during our other programming) can come together to worship and grow in knowledge and more importantly, faith.

As we look forward to this Christmas season, we are looking forward to being able to once again celebrate with the children who have so faithfully been joining us in ministry days this year. As always, we plan to provide gifts and candy for each of our children - if you would like to be part of making this happen, please message Pastor Samuel.



Prayer Requests

- Meeting the varying needs of our children educationally. There is the need for creativity and understanding of what these needs are and the best way to meet the needs individually.
- Provision of intentional Christmas gifts for each of our children/teens in the village. We are looking to buy a toy and some candy for each one.
- Hearts ready to receive the gospel and the life changing freedom and healing that comes from walking with Jesus as Lord.
- That whole families - from the youngest child to both parents and everyone in between - would make it a habit of attending worship together each Sunday.
- Wisdom, intentionality, and positioning ourselves as leaders to hear what God

