



Elvira and her family

#### Editorial - Helen Jesze, EEO UK trustee

**This is our first “Outreach” of 2020! A new year brings new opportunities and new challenges. This morning, the words “When these things begin to happen, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near” kept coming to my heart. Looking to see what “these things” were in Luke 21, I saw Jesus spoke about the troubles of the Endtimes before He comes again, to receive His own children to Himself. He said there would be troubles in Nature, catastrophes, great fear and sorrow. Nowadays we could put in there many wars, millions of displaced persons, plagues of locusts in Africa, Coronavirus outbreaks, terrorism and many more.**

**God encourages us today by saying when we see these things we are to look up to the One who is still in control, and can bring His children through, giving them mighty victories.**

At EEO UK we are more determined than ever to send out the Gospel of Salvation, and to help the needy in these days. Many organisations give humanitarian aid, but marvellous though this is, we know that each person helped needs the **Bread of Life in Jesus Christ**, as well as physical bread to eat. **Without faithful friends and partners like you, we could not do this. Every gift, small or large, is important. God sees our hearts as we pray and give. Thank you for your help in the Past, and thank you for helping us again in 2020. May we truly have “2020 Vision” to see and recognise the times we are living in, and with God's help bring in a harvest of souls, as there are “multitudes in the valley of decision”.**

**Our staff and trustees wish you God's blessing for this new year and decade! Hoping to hear from you soon!**

#### Ormenis

In October an EEO team from the Netherlands visited the village of Ormenis, a small village about 30 miles from Tirgu Mures.

Our contact person Moise Cocos, works here as a teacher. EEO teams have gone out regularly over the past few years and have experienced many church services in the village. Every time we meet new people. We met the parents of one of the students, Elvira. Her father is a 70 year old widower who remarried, together they were blessed with Elvira.

The house they live in has two rooms which only contains a wood burning stove. There is only a sofa, the floor is just compressed earth covered by some sheets. The family sleeps on the sofa. Vermin like mice and rats also have free run in the house.

Last year we met a young lady, Christina, who was living in similar circumstances. With the help of sponsors we managed to find her a small place to live, and her life has significantly improved since then.

Moise and his brothers work hard to improve the situation in this remote village.

Please remember them in your prayers. God is a God of miracles and we pray that the Lord will provide miraculously for Elvira and her family.

## CSP visits Iasi

During our recent visit to Romania, I joined Pastor Cristi Frunza on his CSP family visits. We visited a few families in the village of Kogalniceanu about 20 miles from Iasi in the east of the country.

The road to the village was good, and when there, I was quite impressed by the quality of the houses. Villages with a majority of Roma population often have hovels which are so bad I cannot imagine how it is to live in them. Fortunately, not so in Kogalniceanu.

All three families we visited had their houses repaired and one house had been extended with help from the Child Sponsor Programme. This is not a luxury, as they are big families with 6, 8 and 13 children. The village has a Primary School which the children attend until they are 14 years old. The High School is in Iasi and the children need to take the bus to the city. This can cost as much as £45 per child per month which is a huge expense, for child benefits are only about £30 per month per child. The fathers of the families all work but generally get paid for each job. If there is no work there is no pay. The father of the family of 13 for instance had a sawing accident in which he lost a few of his fingers.

For Pastor Cristi it is essential that families send their children to school. It is very encouraging to hear that all these children are going, preparing themselves for future careers. Hopefully and more likely their future will be one not being burdened by poverty.

We prayed with all the families, and it is so encouraging to see that all the families are very involved in their local church communities. We also gave each family a food parcel. It is great to see first hand the impact the work of the CSP has in the lives of these families in Romania.

Our contact persons are all connected to local churches. During the personal visits they pray with the family and share the Word of God. Where needed, our contact will also help with counselling. As an organisation we do not want to give only spiritual help; we believe that the spiritual part, the eternal part is much much more important.

**While the situation in the East has worsened the number of CSP sponsors has declined. Please help us to help the needy. If you would like to support a family please do not hesitate to call us on 0800 2980 126**



Pastor Cristi with one of the CSP families

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## Mission trips 2020

Moldova: 7 March – 14 March  
Romania: 27 March - 4 April  
Albania: 23 July - 5 Augustus Barnabas  
Bulgaria: 28 July - 5 Augustus Barnabas  
Albania: 10 October - 17 October  
Romania: 23 October - 31 October  
Moldova: October exact dates  
to be announced