



Foundation "Light in Darkness"

Celebrat 21 Yaer

.....and 23 years of assistance to Romania

The foundation "Light in the Darkness" was founded in 1992 in Alphen aan den Rijn, Netherland. The reason to do so were the terrible images and messages in 1989 about the need in Romanian orphanages and a deep compassion for these children!

The inspiration was the text from the Bible:

"What you've done for one of the least of these brothers, you did for me." (Matt. 25:40)

Help is still given, **regardless of race, creed or place in society!**

I saw kids on the street walking barefoot, with little clothing, at temperatures of -22 degrees, families living in tents or in ruins without a roof, no food in the house or heating.

Babies left in children's hospitals. Tied to their beds, lying in their own excrement, without love or care.

On these trips flowed many tears of helplessness and sorrow and disappointment, but also of **Hope, Faith and Love**. But also happiness because the children's eyes shone again!

Despite everything the love of God kept shining. The "Romania-fever" continued to haunt me!



Love is you extend to the other.



Dear friends, supporters and interested parties,

Although Romania is now part of the EU, there is little change for **the poorest**.

Looking back to those in need and those in Romania-Gilau, **the need is still very large**.

Daily mothers come to me at the door and ask for bread, yes, just bread!

Nearly every week I buy about 50 loaves, which we distribute in the neighborhoods. Sometimes we also make food packages.



I know the situation of families very well, **it hurts me that I can not do more for them**.

I see now the change to the people, the gratitude, especially to the children.



How can God's love be in us? As we watch our brothers and sisters suffering and they do not know what to feed their children?

*I would like to thank everyone for the financial, material and practical support in the past year. Also for all the encouragement and spiritual support through phone calls, letters or emails and prayers!
But your support is and remains even now of great value! Gifts remain deductible for you.*



Exploitationcost

*For the monthly costs of the home, food for the children, food parcels, Christmas - dinner for mothers, school-stuff-bags, medicine for the sick etc. approx € 20.000
Gas is very expensive: € 2.100 per year,
Per year tax - insurance approx € 1.100,
You might want to support a family for a year? Cost p.day -, 84 euro cents (€ 25 p.md.)*

We can not close our eyes and hearts to our neighbors.

"March" is a very special month in Romania. It starts with March the first, the beginning of spring. The streets are full of small stalls with nice presents, everyone gives presents to friends.

This tradition has been around for 800 years, it is part of local history.

March 8th "International Women - Day" That day men give flowers to women. If you walk through the center of Cluj, it may happen that you can just get a flower from someone I got a rose myself from a police officer.



That day was also a great opportunity for the children to go in to the village. We stood in front of a large shopping center where many people were walking, the children sang and handed out flowers with a card that read:

"If flowers could talk? Would they tell you how great God's love is! (and 150 cartoon Bibles).

March 10th is Mothersday, for them we bought bags and filled them with fun gifts and the children were allowed to colors them and make the bags even more beautiful.

But March 8th was also a very sad day!! During our performance this afternoon we heard that there had been a serious car accident, where five persons from Gilau were killed. Two of them were very good friends and parents of friends of mine whom I have known for 20 years.



The next day we had our Bible study for mothers in "Casa Lumina" so much substance to talk about, for example:

Where are you going to go after your life on earth?

We made prayer notes for the family members and for ourselves with desires and needs.

Those we have put in a basket, and we have prayed over these for a week.



Overview of some projects and activities

- * *Building houses for families*
- * *Handing out clothing and Bibles*
- * *Visit and assistance to orphanages*
- * *Various transports*
- * *Children from Romania vacation in Netherlands*
- * *Sponsoring families*
- * *Handing out more than 400 Christmas parcels, started in 1993*
- * *Christmas pageant for about 400 children performed by our own children's club*
- * *Building a children's home in 1999*
- * *Christmas dinner for mothers*
- * *Children's camps in 2006 stopped*
- * *Bought house "Casa Lumina" 2006 (day-shelter for children)*
- * *Food parcels for families*
- * *Children's club and Bible club,*
- * *Learning Dutch songs, learning the biblical values*
- * *Dyeing Easter eggs and make baskets*
- * *Excursions, theater, play park, swimming in mountain river, etc.*
- * *School four days a week summer - day camps, games and food*
- * *A day in the month of mothers with babies and small children (about 20 mothers and children and around 30-35)*
- * *A day in the month a beauty day for teens*
- * *Teen Bible club*



New activities from 2012

- * Children's choir
- * Visit to the retirement home in Gilau: sing with and for the residents, pray and play games
- Bible study for mothers
- * * * Every second weekend stay of 7 children (from Friday after school till Sunday afternoon)
- * Weekly bath day (5 to 6 children)
- * The harvest festival in October
- * Children's camp again restarted
- * 52 library books (52)
- * Sing and evangelize on the street with the kids

I thank God for all these wonderful things he does and the great peace that I experienced. Whatever came to me and still is, God always hold the reins of my life in His hands!



Prayer Points:

- * For perseverance, comfort, strength, health and peace
- * Abiding love for families and children
- * For God's guidance in everything I do
- * For decisions I have to make
- * New board for the foundation
- * **People's house "Casa Lumina" will take over the will of God**
- * Volunteers who want to do a task in the Netherlands until God calls me back there



But everything comes to an end!! Also for me! In God's time?

Thank you for your attention and God's blessing, have a nice Summer dear greetings, Karin Müller



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