

# PRR newsletter June – September 2019

Dear friends,

As Romanian summer days are 14 to 15 hours long, a lot can happen in three and a half months.

The following pages show this, we hope in a very faithful manner.

**A GREAT SUMMER** for our children – they took part in lots of activities and special events thanks to the generosity of many people and organizations. Maybe the highlight of this summer for our new children was the three camps they attended for the first time – two in the mountains (Fitioneshti camp by the generosity of Stepping forward ministries, and Bran camp sponsored by our friends in the UK, Siloam Christian Ministries) and a sports camp in Murfatlar town that we hold every year. (We'll send you a separate newsletter with more details and pictures from the activities and happy times in the camps.)



Because of the very good collaboration we have with the town hall in Murfatlar, our children benefitted by having lots of fun on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June, International Children's day. They had free entry for



two days to an aqua park and one day at the beach, both in Mamaia resort. They were invited out by a couple of friends to watch a movie or to have a meal at a restaurant. They had a few walks in Constanta, in the old town and on the sea front.



The children kept in touch with their families on the phone and some of them met relatives which helped develop and strengthen their relationships. Some children celebrated their birthdays and were happy to be with their PRR family. They went shopping, and had fun in the children's playgrounds in Constanta.



**IT COURSE** – Between July 22nd and August 2nd, from 1 to 4 pm, our children in both homes traveled daily to Constanta to take a course taught by GMB Computers teachers. This course was offered to us by the Chimpex Company from Constanta harbor, which supported us by paying both the taxes and all transportation expenses.



**VISITORS** came and brought joy and smiles to our children's faces. We had Mr Ron Parker from UK, who accompanied them to the Fitionesti camp; Mrs Dorothy and Roby from the UK; a group of 12 youth from Woodlands Church in Bristol that helped with the sports camp and also organized events; soldiers from the NATO base in Kogalniceanu village who organized two costumed parties and prepared an extraordinary barbeque; two couples from Sweden, and we had a few families from our community.



**INSPECTION** – Maybe the most important event was the state inspection we were anxiously expecting for the last few months. It took place from 2 – 6 of September. The Social Services in Constanta, a state controlled department came daily to inspect our project, two and a half years since their last inspection. It was an extremely and thorough examination of both homes, a monitoring inspection for Casa Anna and an assessment to issue the operating license for Casa Benjamin that was re-sited from M. Kogalniceanu village to Murfatlar.



By God's grace everything went really well. To achieve these excellent results our team worked hard for over a month to make sure everything complied with the high quality standards that came into force this February.

The two inspectors were very impressed with all our paper work, the condition of the houses, all the services we offer, the atmosphere in the houses and more than anything else, the way children are treated and their free and joyful state of mind. Whilst the ladies were visiting Casa Anna they saw our new fence, the house and the warehouse insulated and newly painted, the interior of the house painted, new furniture in the kitchen, in the living room and in the bedrooms, new flooring, new shower cubicles etc. Their first reaction was "Wow! What a huge transformation!"



Casa Benjamin also impressed them by the quality of its facilities and by its warmth.

**CASA BENJAMIN** – As you can see in the picture above, the house saw significant transformations: we fitted 6 new windows and a new front door; with the support of Chimpex Company the whole house is now insulated and has a special coat of plaster on the exterior; the old and dilapidated sheds were pulled down by the NATO soldiers who also helped with building new fences at the back of the property.

Cristi got very good grades at his final exams and enrolled in a forestry college in Ilfov County near Bucharest. We assisted him during the entire process, and accompanied him to see the college. The social worker kept a contact with the school, made all the necessary papers, and obtained the Child Protection's approval for Cristi to move there during his studies. He will remain in our care and will come to PRR twice a month, on holidays and on every special occasion. He was accompanied by his grandfather to his college on the 9<sup>th</sup> of September.





**CASA ANNA** – With the help of a group of soldiers from the NATO base and the husband of one of our colleagues we insulated the balcony and one wall of the warehouse. We painted the exterior of the whole house, and poured concrete to create a paved area outside the gate.



The twins graduated with good grades from high school and asked to throw a party for everyone. They worked for two months at a 4star hotel in Mamaia resort, and they kept in touch with a few former beneficiaries of our project. They helped the twins to rent a studio flat in Constanta and move there. Now they work at the mall food court, in the kitchen of the Mesopotamia fast food restaurant. Flori also graduated from trade school and worked in a restaurant in Mamaia for a month. We helped her to find a studio flat in Constanta this week where she will move on the 15<sup>th</sup> of Sept. She works in the same restaurant as the twins. Another encouragement is she decided to enroll in high school in Constanta to get a higher education. Ana worked for a month in an Eforie Nord resort Hotel for the second time this summer, the owner's wife taking care of her. It was very good for her to earn more work experience and some money of her own.



**AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM** – the many children who attend and the volunteers who help out were on holiday all the summer, but they are all eager to resume their program very soon.

### **PRAYER NEEDS – PLEASE REMEMBER US!**

- Cristi – a good start with his high school, emotional balance, good communication with PRR and his family.
- Genet, Dana (the twins) and Flori – their protection, wisdom in their new jobs, and favour with the people and courage as they will learn how to live on their own.
- Ana – constancy, good results with her school in her final year and her future (a place to live, and a job)
- PRR team – strength, comfort, patience, grace, wisdom, health
- Regular income to enable us to do all our work, without us being stressed and anguished by always being short of funds. It is so difficult to ask for support, but please pray for us as we help the poor and forgotten.

School in Romania started this Monday and all the PRR children were happy to meet their schoolmates and teachers again. They are well equipped with all they need for school and we hope and pray and do everything in our power for them to achieve even better results this year. We pray God will bring alongside us people who love our mission of being a family for children at risk.



***It's a new school year for  
PRR children!***

We need your support to  
help them finish it!



**Many people have said they want to take up the 'little and often' challenge, where a dollar or euro or pound each week can make a huge difference to the work, so**

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