# SUMMER 2019



"My God, my Rock, in Him will I put my faith; my breastplate, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my safe place; my Saviour who keeps me safe from violent men." II Samuel 22:3



### **Greetings ProVision Family!**

Midway through the Summer, City Hall decided to renovate the Night Shelter building. With the ultimate intention of not allowing the 30 families back into the building after renovations are completed because of the EU regulation. City Hall mandated the evacuation of 114 people, after a 2 month grace-period where families were expected to find a new place to live. Because just the single-resident occupants will be allowed to return once renovations have been completed, meaning that families will not be allowed back to the Night Shelter. Interactions between City Hall and current Night Shelter residents have become increasingly divisive and agitated, not moving towards a solution. The summer has built drama, anxiety and all kinds of problems for the families we work with. Even so, the kids continue to come to our activities and more than ever, they use ProVision as a consistent place where they have peace and can relax. With all of this, we are requesting that you will keep these Night Shelter families in your prayers. The State and Local Government have offered no sort of solution or reconciliation to the families. We are hoping your prayers can help us find a solution.

#### Despite our day camp theme: Journey in Space, our summer in as a real faith journey: looking first for God's Kingdom and believe He will provide for our ministry costs day by day and see in practice "the righteous will live by faith"-it is our testimony for Summer 2019.

This summer has been quite a marathon; we have maintained a similar camp calendar as prior years.

We have worked diligently to cover all areas of ministry and include all groups of children in our summer activities.

Furthermore, we are still involved with helping young mothers, and even got new eye-glasses and dentistry treatments for the Night Shelter children.



We are looking at the past with joy: we successfully finished four camps and other activities in all locations we work in.

#### First Camp

**Rozmarin Day** Center, Tg Mures, **Odisee Spatiala** (Journey in Space) inaugural day camp with 80 kids including Night Shelter Kids (4-12 years old) as well. We had a couple (JR and Cristal Rife) from Pennsylvania, USA that helped us with 2 main stations. Also, we had the help of 15 Romanian volunteers with experience.

After the first week of camp Sarah Moore joined us, she is planning to volunteer with us for 2 years. This is her second time working alongside Pro Vision: her passion for Romania brought her back!

#### Second Camp

Fellowship from Dubai, UAE- A 26 person group took part in a 10-day mission trip with ProVision. This is our second time having a 6-day camp near Bistrita, Herina, where we selected children from 3 different villages and also from the Night Shelter in Tg Mures (10-18 years old). Camp theme: Comoara -Treasure, which brought us a lot of interesting subjects to think about: treasure in Word of God, Jesus, relationships, and community. A Picture Bible translated in Romanian was a special gift for the kids, which absorbed their interest. They built wonderful relationships and were very involved in all activities. We can proudly say every year is better and they had a lot of fun with team, volunteers and **ProVision staff.** 

A few days into our second camp, Cesar Farias graduated college and came to serve with us for 3 months. Harvard (Alex G. Booth Fellowship) is sponsoring Cesar's time in Romania, his help is priceless and welcomed with our heavy load of work.

#### Third Camp

Together with our Romanian volunteers we went to the School of Agristeu, where there is a large community of children, around 60-80 children attended daily. Hard to believe, but a lot of them never went to school and some abandoned school at a very young age. This is a very difficult community to work in, but their excitement for the camp was a highlight of the Summer. We achieved so much with this group of kids in just a few days.

## Last Camp . . .

Held in Harghita county, this camp was designed for the young adults (orphans) we work with, and it felt like a well-deserved holiday. We were supposed to have our special friends back for the camp: Dienie and Andre from South Africa, plus one of their friends from Denmark, Dax Batelaan. Sadly, they were unable to return due to health reasons.

But we still ran the camp ourselves. Fighting with negative thoughts was the theme of the camp. We dove deep and tried to uncover the roots of our negative thoughts and how we can take control over them. The entire week was a great family atmosphere with an itinerary filled with cooking, laughing, sports and trips to the lake. Together we built more trust in God, we helped them overcome their fear of water by helping them dip into the lake. Which allowed them to find courage and strength within their spiritual lives.

We are hoping to continue our old project which has been very successful: educational Christian programs with 3 villages and Tg-Mures, they consist of weekly visits to each location. Also, after-school and tutoring program for 3 different schools once a week- focused on bringing more kids to school and helping 8th graders transition smoothly into high school.

We are planning to help Tg-Mures kids with English lessons and homework assistance in our office. It's a huge need for these kids that have very low expectations at school, they need more help from us. We are requesting teachers and volunteers for this cause.

Our medical project has helped 100 kids with eye-screenings and dentistry evaluations. The treatments have begun and some are still in the treatment process.. Also, the network created between family doctors and pharmacy helped young moms and very poor families get the help they need, in a timely fashion.

Young adult orphans are still in the treatment process and we are going back and forth with some particular cases. On the other hand, some of our young adults are demonstrating complete independence which has filled our hearts with joy! We are very thankful for those of you who donate money, pray for us, send a message, give supplies or come physically to help. It is a tremendous effort to make our mission possible. And here we are again, at the end of wonderful successful Summer and look forward as we prepare for the next season!



#### Please pray for:

- The Night Shelter kids and their at risk situation
- Lucretia, Olga, Melinda, Alex and Anca, Ela, Elis- the main families we help them
- The young adults from Reghin (Ana, Marga, Geta, Csiki, Costel, Mimi, Vio, Terezia, Corci, Petre, Rozana, Vasile, Garo, Puia, Maria & her daughter Natalia, Kati & the girls, Imola & Tulit & their 3 kids) – perseverance in remaining close to God, a deep change in their heart and for health.
- For young moms and their babies: Carmen, Nicoleta, Luana, Iolan
- New sponsors for our christian-educational programs, office (e will attach the budget for project we need help)
- Sponsors for helping build a few houses they have been in our request list for a few months
- For the Pro Vision staff and volunteers dedication and passion, blessed collaborations, new sponsors and supporters in local partnerships.
- For our new project and collaboration, new people involved.

For More Information About ProVision, Please Visit Us At: <u>www.provision.org.ro</u> or <u>https://www.facebook.com/provisionro</u> Contact address: Sudului 32, Tg-Mures 540226 Romania (Cristina & Marian Ciurariu-Gliga) Paypal donation: Asociatia Pro Vision <u>criscg73@yahoo.com</u>

One important request is for any donation to have in memo, one of bellow category, not a specific name:

- 1. School Village ministry
- 2. Concern and care poor family
- 3. Counselling & Education Night Shelter children/ administration
- 4. Young adult orphans & residential program

One time cost donation:

Christmas, Easter, Camps, Teams, Construction project.

#### Have a blessed fall,

Cristina and Marian Ciurariu-Gliga

#### **ProVision Director**



"My wife and I recently had the most wonderful opportunity to work alongside Pro-Vision in Romania at one of their Summer Camps. Such opportunities often present the question, "Is it worth it to do short missions trips?"

Our answer is YES! You see, Pro-Vision has built an amazing foundation in serving their neighbors and communities. But to do this can require many hands. I look at this as working a "shift" because soon after we were leaving, a team from Dubai was arriving, and then other teams as well in the future.

My wife and I were honored to partner with this amazing ministry. God is moving in a mighty way in Romania. We have but to answer the call. I thank God every day that Cristina and Marion, as well as their volunteers, have answered that call!" "

"I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power."



Ephesians 1:15-19NRSV

JR & Crystal Rife (USA) in Romania, June 2019