

Romania 2018

Team prayer letter

Camp theme:

'Trust in the Lord with all your heart' (Proverbs 3:5)

Saturday 28th July

Today the team travel to Romania. We leave Inverness at 00:00 to fly to London Luton. We then have a long wait in Luton before flying to Timisoara, Romania. We are scheduled to land at 00:55 local time. We will then be driven to Casa Haralui, which will take about 2 hours and 15 minutes. **Please pray that we have a smooth, safe journey. Pray especially for the younger members of our team as it will be a long day of travelling for them.**

Sunday 29th July

We have a full day to rest and prepare for the camp starting tomorrow. **Pray that we get enough rest to recover from travelling. Pray for those who have not been on to Romania before, that they will feel at ease.**

Monday 30th July

Today is the first day of camp. This morning the Romanian team and the Scottish team will meet to chat about the camp and pray together. **Please pray that the two teams unite and bond quickly and that we work well together all week.**

Just before lunch we will welcome families to the camp, which is especially for children with Downs Syndrome. **Please pray that the families feel welcome at Casa Haralui and that relationships begin to form between team and campers.**

Tuesday 31st July

Today the daily programme begins. Each day will start with a time of worship and prayer. After breakfast, the adults and the children will do separate activities. The adults will do various craft activities and games while having the opportunity to chat together and have some time to themselves. Some of the parents on the camp will rarely have time away from their children as they have to care for them 24/7. This time might feel strange for them at first. **Please pray for the parents, that they are able to relax and enjoy time to themselves. Please pray for the team members helping with the parent time, that they are able to communicate and share with the parents, despite the language difference.**

Bible teaching: Noah

Wednesday 1st August

During the children's time each day, there will be a short Bible lesson followed by craft activities and a music session led by Jonathan. There is still a lack of awareness about disabilities in Romania and some of the children will have experienced bullying and segregation as a result of their additional needs. The Bible teaching for the week is based around the theme of 'Trust in the Lord with all your heart' and we hope that the children will understand that, when we do this, he makes our paths straight and gives us hope. **Please pray that the children engage well with the teaching and understand that their worth comes from God who is utterly trustworthy. Pray also that the children have lots of fun and feel accepted and loved at camp!**

Bible teaching: Abraham

Thursday 2nd August

Each afternoon we will do an activity altogether: we will be going for a walk. **Please pray for protection against any accidents and good quality time together.**

Bible teaching: Hannah

Friday 3rd August

Today is our last full day! During the children's time we will look at how Mary's trust brought Christ into the world to live, die and rise again for us. **Please pray for a wonderful last day at camp and that God will open everyone's eyes to the amazing news of the Gospel!**

Bible teaching: Mary

Saturday 4th August

Today the campers and Romanian team will leave. It will be sad to say goodbye. **Please pray for safe travel for the families.**

We will now clean and re-set the camp for the following week before departing for the airport mid-afternoon, arriving in Luton in early evening UK time, where we will stay overnight. **Please pray for safe travel and again for the youngest members of our team.**

Bible teaching: Five loaves and two fishes

Sunday 5th August

We will fly back to Inverness this morning. **Pray for safety in this last leg of our journey and give thanks for all that God has done.**

Camps run at Casa Haralui from April to September every year, with various groups partnering with Maria Madrea who started the camps along with her husband Bene in the 1990s. Tomorrow another camp will begin at Casa Haralui. **Please pray for Maria, that God would refresh her with His Spirit and bring her joy, peace and rest.**