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“And there they preached the gospel” Acts 14:7



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Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

I hope this letter finds you well and in His nurturing grace. I'm thankful for how God is working in the meetings this summer. It's become very hot these past few weeks with the temperatures reaching into the high nineties. The heat can be very oppressive, but it doesn't stop our believers from coming to our services and we are thankful for that.

On Sundays, I am in three meetings. We meet at the Children's Home for our English service, then afterwards my dad and I, with some Turkish believers, go to two other meetings in the village about an hour from where I live in Constanta. At the first meeting in the village there is a man whose house we meet at that gathers up all the children in his area for the service. His name is Cerkez and he's a blessing to us all. One day when we arrived, I said to him, "It sure is hot today." He replied, "Well it's hotter in hell, thank God we aren't there and thank God for this beautiful weather." Talk about putting things into perspective, this humbled me to my very soul. I've found that it's easy to complain when we should simply give thanks every day for how good God has been to us. The children have learned the hymns and sing passionately and some of their parents have begun to come to the services.

In my last prayer letter, I spoke of a man who comes faithfully to our meeting in the village of Medgidia. His name is Yildiz and he's handicapped in both of his feet and walks with a cane. He also cannot speak clearly but we have learned to understand his speech. Last week, without anyone telling him to, he started sweeping outside the church. He simply wanted to help clean up even though he had to use a cane. Both of his feet were burned as a child, and he also damaged his tongue and vocal cords so badly that it's hard to understand what he says. But after a few years we've learned to understand him and I've learned it isn't the great or the learned, it's the humble that get blessed. Let that be a lesson to all of us.

"But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty;" 1 Corinthians 1:27

With the help of several churches, I have been able to build a church in the town of Pecineaga, where my wife's parents live, and the Lord has blessed tremendously. Every Thursday, we have people from different areas around the village, along with my dad bringing believers from Calarasi, to meet for a service and a meal afterwards. My wife and I have many nieces and nephews who attend these meetings, and we are praying for their salvation as well as others who are now coming. Even though we have adversaries who live across the street from us, who don't like that we have a church, we are still excited to see what the Lord has in store for us. Please help us pray the Lord will touch their hearts and they too will come to our church services and be saved. Thank you all once again for all you do.

From Constanta, Romania

Jacob Reed and Family