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# The Jacob Reed Family

Serving with Charity Baptist Missions to Eastern Europe since 2012

[“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 pray this letter finds you in His nurturing grace. We thank the Lord for all He has done in the year 2022 and for the New Year and the blessings that God shall bring.

“Tis the season to be jolly!”, but not for all. A month ago, my two children got off from school and I told them that we were going to the Turkish meetings today. They weren’t very happy and both made excuses about homework and playing video games, but an hour and twenty minutes later we were driving into a very poor and cold village. As we approached the house where we worship weekly, children on both sides of the car started running and knocking on the sides of the car and were very happy to see us. A little boy came into the courtyard and had no shoes or socks. My son Uriah look over at me and said that his feet must be cold. A few moments later, my sister-in-law took off her socks and clothed the little boy’s feet. I reminded my children that whatever you get this CHRISTmas remember you need to be thankful for God has been so good to us. I was trying to be a good father and instruct my children of their responsibilities, but then my Heavenly Father began to speak to me of our duty to help these little lambs and never overlook their needs, but especially their need to be clothed in the righteousness of Christ.



Matthew 18:2,5-6 KJV “And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them, [5] And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me. [6] But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea.”

I am so blessed to tell you that we were able to give out 450 Christmas packets to children in five villages. It was one of the best Christmas’ these children have ever had. They got candy, toys, coloring books with crayons, plus socks and winter hats. They were so happy. We were also able to return to the village with the little boy who had been without socks and shoes and gather all the children of two villages and over the period of a week we have been able to give around 360 pairs of nice shoes and around 800 pairs of socks. It was a wonderful way to finish 2022 and even a better way to start 2023. Thank you to Brookside Baptist Church and all who have been such a blessing with all of this. Please continue to pray for us and that He will help us to continue to clothe these little ones physically and spiritually. May God richly bless you!

From Constanta, Romania,

Jacob Reed & family

[“Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified, even as it is with you.”](#)

[2 Thessalonians 3:1](#)