

Hello,

Do hope this finds you well and enjoying the summer. Even from Romania I can see several places having a tough summer and you are in my prayers.

It has been almost 2 months since my last letter, so I will try and just hit the highlights. Paper work for the Day Care Center is at a stand still with most officials on summer break. It appears we will have 2 more official board meetings before I return to the States. During these meetings we will finalize the official Project Proposal (Business Plan), hopefully finalize the statutes for the NGO that must be formed prior to the Business Plan being submitted, then the GEM representative will return to the States and try to raise some support for the Day Center to begin sometime next year.

Horse Therapy continues until the end of July, then that Grant comes to an end. Most of the kids were able to go to either the seaside or the mountains for a week. Another team came from the States to help out with those excursions so a friend of mine (Joanne, whom I travel with) went on a 2 week vacation through Romania (the progress/changes are amazing), The Republic of Moldova (similar to Romania, poorer. Actually like Romania was when I lived here years ago) and spent a weekend in Budapest (now a major tourist city).

As you look at the pictures please note that my "signature misspell" of a word has taken place, sigh! In my next letter there will be mostly pictures of some activities from the summer.

Next week we will be taking several of the kids to Vacation Bible School and would greatly appreciate your prayers for safety and a good message to be presented. Horse Therapy will continue as well. There has been such an amazing change in so many of the kids from this simple therapy. It truly is a blessing!

I would also appreciate prayers for a new friend of mine, Violeta, whom I met while having therapy on my knee, she is a little older than me with problems in both knees. She speaks no English but we seem to get along great. I hope to be able to see her several more times before I leave and just want to bless and encourage her. She lives alone because her husband died a year ago from cancer.

Speaking of my knee, it is doing better, I can actually walk a few days in a row for more than 3 hours (total per day), then I have to wear a brace again or take pain meds. Sitting so much for over 2 months has not done me any good, sigh!! Now I'm trying to strengthen the muscles and hopefully have a little more energy.

**HAVE A GREAT REST OF THE SUMMER!!!**

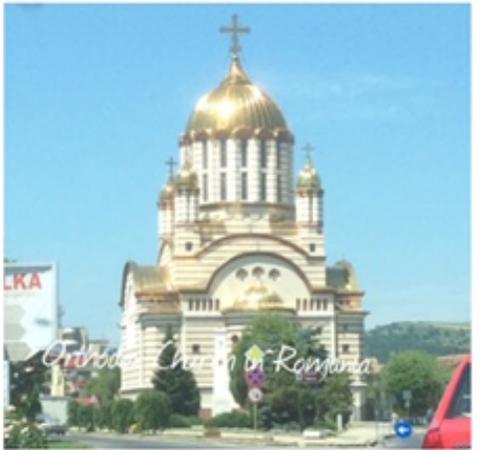
Blessings



*Sheep in Romania*



*Parliament in Budapest*



*Orthodox Church in Romania*



*Big Bird*



*Sunflowers all over Romania*



*Chess in Republic of Moldova*