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# Pray

**...that whenever we speak, words may be given us so that we will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel**



***And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel***

**Ephesians 6:18-19**

**Dear CityView Church,**

Praying for missionaries is a crucial ministry. Paul asked his brothers to pray that he could share the gospel boldly. The Apostle Paul knew he needed God's Words to share the gospel. Because you are our prayer warriors, this is what we are asking of you as well. A very busy period of ministry lies ahead, and the need for prayer for His Words and boldness is ever greater. I would also like us to note that this request from Paul comes in the context of the spiritual battle he speaks of in the verses preceding it. That is why we, too, put on His armor, so that we may face the spiritual battle of which the Apostle Paul speaks. We daily grow aware of the spiritual battle surrounding caring for those called to spiritual ministry. That is why we depend on the Lord and rely on all your prayers and encouragement. A season of many trips, retreats, trainings and events lies ahead for us, for which we need the Word and boldness.

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#### **European Member Care Consultation (EMCC)**

Next week we plan to attend **EMCC**, which will take place in **Italy** from **April 20–23**. Many who serve in this field will be there, and we are looking forward to reconnecting with some of our colleagues from Barnabas International. We are especially delighted that David will be joining us, having received a scholarship to attend; he is a sophomore psychology student interested in serving missionary families. We pray that God will continue to shape His calling in our son and guide his steps toward what He desires.

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**“EnRoute Romania” Mission Course, Week 4**

We have reached the end of the 9<sup>th</sup> generation of the **cross-cultural mission** course with students from the seminary in **Bucharest**. From **April 27–30**, we will be teaching the sessions in a classroom, and we are delighted that, in addition to the in-person lectures, we will also be conducting practical activities with them, such as: a visit to a mosque in Bucharest, evangelizing foreigners selling their goods at the *Red Dragon* shopping center in Bucharest, and practical discussions highlighting the poverty and risks missionaries face in their ministry across the globe. Please cover us in your prayers for all these activities, and may the Heavenly Father use them for His Kingdom after they graduate.



**Trip to the Republic of Moldova**

Immediately after we finish the EnRoute course, from **May 2–4**, we’ll be heading to the **Republic of Moldova** to visit Romanian missionaries serving there. Please pray that we’ll receive Words of encouragement from Him to support their family, as well as the local church they planted a number of years ago.



## “Oasis with the Father” – Retreat for Workers in Oltenia

You may recall that we usually hold the *Oasis with the Father* retreat in Dobrogea. This time, we were led to offer these meetings to workers in **Oltenia**. From **May 5–10**, we will be in Craiova and will hold a series of meetings with the families of workers in the area. As you may know, Oltenia is the most spiritually challenging region in Romania. That is why workers here are frequently targeted by the evil one. This is one of the reasons we have also turned our attention to this area. We hope to continue the retreats in Dobrogea in the future, but this year we can only be in one location. The needs are great, and the workers are few, so please ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers for this ministry.



These are some of the countries in the world where Romanian missionaries are serving. They all need care.

### The Barnabas Member Care Training

We are continuing our preparations for the **Member Care training course**, which will take place in **Sibiu**. Following the pilot phase last October, we are now set to launch the course with the 25 enrolled participants from **May 14–16**. At this point, the team is ready, the schedule is set, and the sessions have been planned. Thank you for your prayers which have brought us this far. It has been an intense time of preparation, and there is still much to do. Therefore, please continue to pray for us that His presence will be with us during this course and that His grace may be poured out on us so that we may receive the Word and boldness from Him to train workers who care for God’s servants scattered across the globe.

*Serving together,*

Alex & Cami, Lavi & David

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