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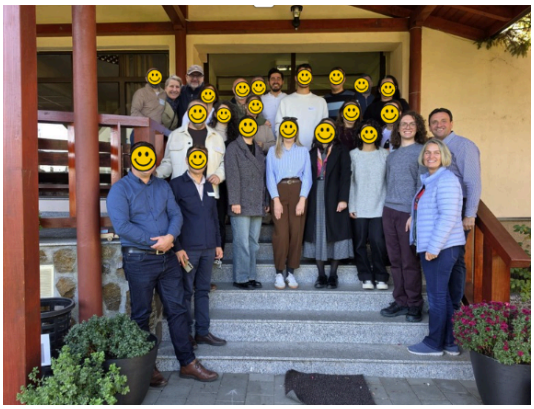
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I will sing of the Lord's great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations. I will declare that your love stands firm forever.

Psalm 89:1-2

Dear **CityView Church**,

A grateful heart sings hymns of praise about the Lord's goodness. When we see the eternal foundation of His mercies, we understand the depth of the faithfulness He has shown to us, those whom He loves from generation to generation. When our hearts prompt us to praise Him, we experience the assurance of His presence in our lives. We have experienced this once again in recent weeks. He is revealing Himself and working powerfully in our lives, in the lives of our children, and in the lives of those in His church. We are deeply grateful and thankful for the daily confirmation of His faithfulness in our lives. Below are just a few of these evidences of His love.





Barnabas Member Care Course - Module 2

We experienced the Father's presence once again during this time of fellowship and missionary care training for global workers. We can already see, within the group, a deeper trust and understanding among the members. The content of the sessions in the module we studied opened up the Scriptures to us, revealing the Father's heart and the fact that rest is a Person—namely, Jesus. We are invited to come to Him for rest so that we may serve from what we receive from Him and not by our own strength. So, we thank the Father for His Word, as well as our colleagues at Barnabas International, along with Emi and David, who helped us teach and organize this module.

Furthermore, we saw a deeper connection among those who provide care for Kingdom workers, with a desire for collaboration and mutual support. This has been our vision and prayer—namely, that those of us who serve global workers may become a community of learning and practice for those called by our heavenly Father into ministry at home and to the ends of the earth. It is a great blessing to see how, beyond training, God creates cohesion, collaboration, and unity among His servants. Such things fill our hearts with joy and confirm to us that the blessing of our Heavenly Father is upon us.

During our recent meeting in Sibiu, we set the agenda for the next two years of ongoing training with those in the room. Please pray that we will continue to resource them well and encourage them as they care for global workers.







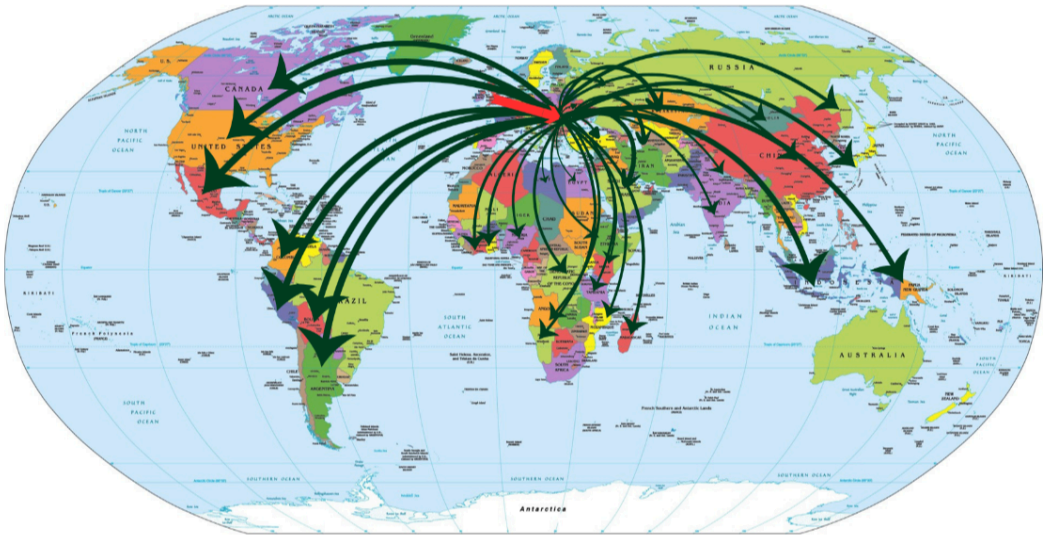


Resourcing the Romanian missionary care providers

By the grace of our heavenly Father, we were able to complete the translation and printing of the books mentioned in our previous newsletter by the start of Module 2.

Our vision was to provide a copy of the book *Third Culture Kids: A Gift to Care For* by Ulrika Ernvik to every Romanian missionary family currently serving in least reached countries around the world. By God's grace we accomplished this vison! According to our estimates, as a nation we have around 250–300 families serving in cross-cultural missions. Therefore, we set out to ensure that the 300 copies we printed would primarily reach these families as quickly as possible. To this end, we invited mission agencies' leaders in Romania to distribute them to their missionaries. More than 10 mission organizations and pastors present in our classroom have received these books and have already begun sending them to their workers. Among the countries where our missionaries serve many are in Africa, Latin America, and Asia, all the way to Siberia. We know it is a challenge to get these books to missionary families, which is why the effort we have made to resource these mission organizations is matched by their effort to get the books into the hands of these families. In

addition, something else that brings us joy is that these missionary organizations aim not only to send these books to the ends of the earth, but also to study them together with their missionary families. There is a great need to help missionary parents raise their children in a different culture, away from family and the local church, often in isolated and dark places of the world!



Places in the world where Romanian missionaries serve and where these resources will get to.





Another encouragement was that these organizations want to give *Tender Care* by Reagon Wilson and David Kronbach to all members of their boards and to the pastors of their churches or those they partner with. This is where these books need to go! This is how we will succeed in mobilizing an entire generation that supports and encourages missionaries, so that they may stay on the mission field and proclaim the gospel for as long as possible.
In May 2026, when we began the member care training, we offered a half-day personal retreat to those who participated in the training. Some of them told us that they didn't know what to do when they wanted to take time for rest and renewal with the Lord. That is why we were delighted to be able to reprint *Sanctuary in Time* by Chuck Cervenka, and gift it to them, as it offers some

practical and biblical insights for a time of retreat aimed at (re)connecting with our heavenly Father. Nearly all 300 copies of this book were taken by the participants, to give to their missionaries, local pastors and church planters. Praise God that we can resource these leaders!

Such testimonies and evidence of His mercies toward His church in Romania and to the ends of the earth fill our hearts with songs of praise and thanksgiving to Him.
We want to thank those of you who have supported us financially so that we can offer these books—many for free and some at a very low cost. Of the 800 books printed in September and October, we were left with only 124 copies! Please continue to pray for these precious missionary families, pastors and care providers.





Grateful for our partnership in the Gospel

As we're approaching Thanksgiving, we're counting our blessings. We can say that our hearts are full of gratitude toward our Heavenly Father for YOU, our partners in the Gospel, who love and serve the Lord with us through prayers, sacrificial giving and messages of encouragement. We couldn't do this without you!

Thanks to your generosity:

- most of the cost for our citizenship applications have been covered. We only need an additional $2000 to cover it entirely!
- most of the funds for our Sabbatical have come in, except for an additional $2000.

Also, for our 2027 Pastoral Care Conference for national pastors and missionaries (*Oasis with the Father*), as well as the Romania Missionary Care

Training we need $6000.

Will you prayerfully consider directing some of your end of year giving to one of these needs, as we care for precious national pastors, cross-cultural missionaries and resource the missionary care providers in the coming year?

May the Lord fill your hearts with gratitude and peace as you celebrate Thanksgiving with family and friends!

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