#### ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT

## hftn romania 🕯



### Another successful year of collaboration!

In 2010 we completed many rewarding projects which touched the lives of hundreds of people in Romania.

Some highlights:

The farms were greatly helped with building upgrades, running water & drainage, ongoing literacy and social programs, and the completion of a diploma project from which several families have found work as a result.

Flood victims were helped when no other help was coming,

A deaf child hears for the first time,

A man with no teeth has a brand new smile.

Over 350 beneficiaries received food and provisions for the winter who would otherwise have know hunger this Christmas ...



CHRISTMAS HAMPERS



FLOOD RELIEF



KIDS CAMP

## FARM II WATER PROJECT









#### WHAT'S NEW

- 1. TILED BATHROOMS
- 2. SHOWERS
- 3. HOT WATER HEATERS
- 4. WELLS
- 5. WATER PUMPS
- 6. EU APPROVED DRAINAGE
- 7. CLEAN HOUSES
- 8. CLEAN KIDS
- 9. HOME ODORS GONE!
- 10. JOY

# Farm 11 now has clean water to prevent sickness and disease!

This year saw the final renovations at Farm 11 with the completion of the Water Project. We battled through some of the worst flooding in Romania's recent history which made installation of the main drainage a huge challenge. Though the completion date was 6 weeks later than we expected, everything has been finished and is now functioning, giving the families running water, showers and toilets for the first time in their lives. The families at the farm can not thank God, and HFTN-RO enough for this life changing gift of kindness!

#### Farm 10 Roof finished



We started this project two years ago with the doors, windows, building exteriors, insulation, finishing. This year we replaced the roof and as a result, everyone is warm and dry this winter.

The relationship at Farm 10 has developed nicely, and has formed much faster than we expected, as a result of our

FARM 10 NOW HAS A NEW ROOF ... EVERYONE IS NOW WARM AND DRY commitment to Farm 11.

The 150 adults and children from Farm10 have participated in our Home Care Course, Kids Camp, and continue to benefit in our ongoing Adult & Child Literacy Program.





#### SNAPSHOTS



OLD WOOD ROT



WOOD REPLACED



NEW STRUCTURE



### FARMS INTEGRATION AND LITERACY







### Adult & Child Literacy Social Integration through Home Care Courses



Farm 10 and 11 have benefited from ongoing literacy training 4 days per week for the past year and a half. Our team (Izabella, Cristina, and Simona) are qualified school teachers and social workers and are doing wonders with the children and adults that need to learn literacy. The children are taken once a month to a local museum or site of interest to learn about their own culture and to spend time off the farm.

Izabella also helps children who are struggling with their school work and liaisons between the farm children and their school to make sure they stay on track. In addition, she counsels those who have questions about family life, both from a practical and spiritual perspective.

This year also saw 30 graduates in our EU Certified Home Care Course, which opened the doors to employment for several families bringing much needed income and advancement to their lives.

#### Medical Assistance

In 2009 and 2010, Romania cut back funds to their already overtaxed Social Medical Program. Patients are now required to pay for portions of their treatment, which in most cases, is more than they can afford.

ROMANIA FACES ONE OF THE WORST SOCIAL ECONOMIES SINCE THE COMMUNIST ERA

As a direct result, countless people in the villages of Romania find themselves with not enough medical coverage. Many have stopped visiting the doctor and are now facing needless illness and even death.

Our Medical Assistance Program helps reach a few of those who find themselves in this precarious situation.







#### ANGELA

ANGELA HEARS FOR THE FIRST TIME. SHE WAS BORN DEAF AND BECAUSE OF THE COST, WAS NEVER OPERATED ON TO REMOVE GROWTHS ON HER EAR DRUMS. THANKS TO THIS FAMILY'S SPONSOR, AN OPERATION HAS GIVEN ANGELA NEW HEARING AND SHE IS NOW IN A SPECIAL KINDERGARTEN TO LEARN HOW TO SPEAK.



#### MARIUS

MARIUS DEVELOPED A CATARACT AS A YOUNG CHILD AND HAD AN UNSUCCESSFUL OPERATION AT 10 YEARS OLD. WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO FIND A HUNGARIAN DOCTOR WILLING TO COME TO A HOSPITAL IN ROMANIA TO GIVE MARIUS AND OTHERS, CORNEA TRANSPLANTS WHICH ARE NOT CURRENTLY BEING DONE IN ROMANIA. MORE IN FEBRUARY!



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ION IS ONE OF THE WORKERS FOR THE COMPANY THAT DID THE CONSTRUCTION AT THE FARMS. WE HAVE WORKED WITH HIM FOR YEARS, AND EVEN THOUGH HE IS EMPLOYED, COULD NOT AFFORD TO PAY A DENTIST AND WAS SUFFERING FROM INFECTIONS. WE WERE ABLE TO GIVE HIM A COMPLETELY NEW SMILE

## CHRISTIAN KIDS CAMP







FOR THE THIRD YEAR RUNNING, 60 CHILDREN FROM FARM 10 AND 11, AS WELL AS SOME CHILDREN FROM A VILLAGE NEAR BRASOV, ENJOY A CHRISTIAN KIDS CAMP.

THEY SHOUT WITH GLEE WHEN THE BUS ARRIVES TO TAKE THEM FOR A WEEK AWAY INTO THE MOUNTAINS. THEY LEARN MANY LIFE SKILLS, GET HAIR CUTS, PLAY GAMES, EAT HEALTHY FOOD, AND HEAR GOSPEL STORIES AROUND THE FIRE, ALL OF WHICH ENHANCES THEIR LIVES WONDERFULLY .... GOOD WORK CATY!

#### Flood Relief for the town of Ciobanu, Romania



In July of 2010, Romania faced yet again, tremendous flooding near the Danube River. HFTN

- Romania was able to help the village of Ciobanu and bring tents and food to 150 people who were devastated by the flood. The houses in this area are earthen based and when the water receded, many of the structures were no longer safe for habitation.

MANY WERE OVERWHELMED AS THEY EXPRESSED THANKS TO GOD FOR HEARING THEIR PRAYERS FOR HELP .. The locals, who are in a poor area of Romania, faced a long and difficult restoration. Their hearts were greatly encouraged when we arrived with a truck full of supplies to make their daunting task of reconstruction more endurable.



#### SNAPSHOTS



EARTHEN HOMES



SUPPLIES



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#### INTL. MEDICAL WORKSHOPS

We continue our work organizing International Medical Workshops in Romania and the Republic of Moldova, bringing in specialists from Germany and Austria to instruct the local doctors on modern life saving procedures they currently do not use in the East. Many children's lives have already been saved as a result.

This year's workshop was a challenge because of the Iceland Volcano eruption which shut down all the major airport hubs of Europe. It happened exactly during the week of our conference and the main doctor, (Dr. Thomas Boemers of Koln, Germany) was unable to fly to Romania. We had doctors from Austria, Romania and the Republic of Moldova present to do evaluations on children for our major workshop which will be in March 2011 at the University of Chisinau, in The Republic of Moldova, Dr. Boemers is

confirmed, as is Dr. Ardelean of Austria, to head up the team during the March workshop. The Government of The Republic of Moldova has recognized the HFTN-Romania International Workshop and the Department of Health is offering all Moldovan doctors who attend, University Credits towards their personal accreditation. The dates of the HFTN - Romania International Medical Workshop for congenital organ malformation will be March 19-24, 2011.







#### Collaborations in 2010

#### FFR DIAPERS

The Brasov Children's Hospital Project is now under the leadership of a new organization headed up by our previous project manager Sarah Berchtold. Sarah is president of Firm Foundations Romania with team members Steffi Vogel, Mary Buckalo, and their awesome volunteers. HFTN - Romania partners with FFR to help provide diapers for this very endearing project which works to see abandoned infants loved and cared for.















#### HOME MAKEOVER 2010

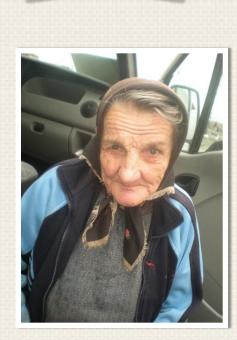
The Ron Kubek Team has done several home makeovers with HFTN-Romania over the years and in 2010, we made over the Marcu Family kitchen. This wonderful family works very hard to provide for their children and this makeover has been life changing for them!

## CHRISTMAS HAMPERS (FARMS)









# It's always a blessing to bring much needed Christmas Cheer!



Again this year our HFTN team arrived to farms 10 and 11 with a truck load of Christmas Cheer for over 300 people! The economy in Romania has been particularly difficult this year and so this project was once again extremely well received. It was great to see the joy on everyone's faces, especially the children!

## THANKYOU



We would like to thank everyone who has helped us to reach the lives of so many people in Romania. We Thank the Lord often for the privilege of living out this call on our lives. How wonderful it is to give in the name of Christ, to see the hearts of people light up when kindness and care is extended to them. To see the smile on someone's face who thought all hope was lost. Thank you for helping us bring hope!

We are extremely excited about the prospects for 2011 and the direction we believe the Lord is taking us in. We thank you for your support thus far, and ask that you would consider continuing to partner with us. All of us working together is what makes these things possible ..

In His Service

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