

# RESO Spreading the Gospel in Southern Oltenia

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**“The  
harvest is  
plentiful  
but the  
workers are  
few. Ask  
the Lord of  
the harvest,  
therefore,  
to send out  
workers  
into his  
harvest  
field.”**

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**PRAY  
GIVE  
GO**

Spiritual harvest blends harmoniously the routine work with the commitment; the unseen effort with times of celebration God's victories in people's lives.

Being focused on spiritual harvest this month, we harmonized celebrating Jesus resurrection with organizing and planning work. In our cultural context, Easter celebration is an event not only for believers, but for unbelievers also who have opened their hearts to the gospel. The effort to organize Easter events was quickly forgotten in the days when we celebrated the resurrection of Jesus Christ in a context of worship, preaching the truth and brotherly fellowship. The joy of worship, the hunger for the Word of God, our fellowship was the fruits of our organizing effort previously submitted.

In the second day of Easter we gather as a church for a time of fellowship and we enjoyed the presence of Christ among us.

Special days



this month were those spent with

people who did logistics work in the office. I say this because I saw how the Scripture enlightened them in certain aspects, in their relationship with God. One person was baptized and confessed Christ as Lord and Savior. Another person understood better her missionary calling, and another was marked by the power of the Word that changed radically her ministry work.

God surprised me again with the plans that He has for each of us. A lady in America came to visit her son who was in a missionary visit here. She shared with us that 30 years ago,



she had the desire to come to communist Romania to distribute New Testaments. This was not possible then, but she continued to pray and this desire didn't leave her. Now, along with her son, she had the opportunity to distribute dozens of New Testaments to people in Oltenia. Praise God for this!

It was a blessed month in which to see the routine work harmonized with celebration. Pray for me to stay disciplined and focused, to redeem the time and to continue to invest in my personal life, my family, church and leaders.

*“For we are laborers together with God...” 1 Corinthians 3:9*

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## Comani- Costea Alexe

Blessed be the God whose faithfulness we can proclaim every day.

We continued construction work, the top level, considering that we had to host 2 families from PVT (Parents Visit Trip). Although physical effort was great, we didn't neglect the spiritual work. We had visitors from Nigeria, Gay and Cindy MADEM. Along with Cindy we organized a meeting for women. A lady in town who always use to refuse us, this time agreed to participate. Praise the Lord!. We celebrated Resurrection of Christ and we enjoyed again that Jesus overcame death.



During the PVT ministry we gave eyeglasses to people in Comani. People have shared their problems with us and we prayed with them for the salvation of their souls. We managed to give more than 200 pairs of glasses. Hallelujah!

We also did visits and we distributed food and prayed for each family, that God may work in their hearts.



Together with Darvell Florina, we want to organize a children's camp in August. There are many needs to be covered, so we invite you to be part of this ministry through prayer support or financial support. The camp costs are high and only one part is covered. We will stay in tents for 6 days and we believe this will be a blessed time full of new experiences for children.

### Prayer requests:

Wisdom in work with people

Protection of our family

Camp for kids

Minibus for work in Comani

To: Nicu, Leana, Corina, Gabi, Ionut, Onita, Jenica-salvation

to finish the construction

The opportunity to make new contacts in other parts of the tax refund companies

*Thank you all for your support! Blessed be the Lord who made heaven and earth!*

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## Dumitru Mircea- Corabia

We are grateful for the wonderful work that God did through us and by other brothers.

This month, Mrs. Doina continued to come to our meetings every Sunday. It is encouraging seeing her inviting other people in town. Toni is one of those who came to the meeting following the invitation made by Doina.



One of the blessings that God has given us, was the visit we have from a group of young people from Sebes. On the first day when they came, we were in Brastavatu village. Costel, a man who is living here said he wants to return to

God. We proclaimed the Gospel here we helped Costel to paint his house. The next day, we helped another family to work their garden.



We continued also to preach the gospel to adults and children in Corabia.

## Serban George- Stoenesti, Farcasele

God was with us this month. We wish that all we did to speak about Him and people who do not know Him may be attracted to Him. It is our desire that God would be glorified and people saved.



This month we continued to fulfill our objectives and all activities are going in this direction. One objective

is that every house in Stoenesti will be evangelized. I am amazed to see people when they hear the gospel they begin to cry, ask questions and they seem to be interested. However, we want to be more than that. We want people to make a decision without regard to external pressures. We believe that God has His time and we believe that this time will come. Earlier this month we attended a Heart Cry conference we were strengthened by fellowship with the missionaries present there. We want every home in the villages from Oltenia to receive a New Testament. Before going to distribute, we pray for those who get to read and understand. We pray for the resources needed to purchase New Testaments, to be given to people.

Friday and Saturday we're organizing kids groups and we pray that they may attend regularly and to get to know the way of salvation through Jesus. We pray also for those who have reached the age of adolescence and stopped coming because they are ashamed.

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Earlier this month I was with Dana in Bucharest for consultations concerning her condition. After some investigations the doctor told us that Dana has heart problems and she needs a surgery which was scheduled for May 12.

Thanks to all who prayed for this situation. May His love remains in our hearts and through this people around us may know that we are His.

## Berechet Octavian- Maruntei

We give glory to God for the way he worked this month and the victory that He has given us in our ministry.

We were glad that we managed to take the gospel to a new



family in Maruntei village. With the help of a few believers from the USA who have visited us, we could help this family in their needs.

I saw the Lord answering to our prayers. With the Easter occasion, a woman from Maruntei, I didn't know her before she came to me and said that she wants to know the Lord.

As our ministry is growing so does the obstacles from the evil one. Thus, two families with whom I met were warned by the Orthodox priest about meetings they had with us.

Please continue to support us in prayer that God would open new doors for His Word and barriers would be removed.

## Ileana Maria- Hope for the Community Organization

Approximately 15 children attend constantly the Afterschool program where children receive assistance with their homework. This month, we organized various



educational, creative and recreational activities which children enjoyed very much.

Also, with a few missionaries' girls from World



Race, we prepared packages with clothes for 15 needy families. We visited and encouraged them with this occasion: Easter celebration. Pray for these families and for children to be

transformed and to be a light in our town.

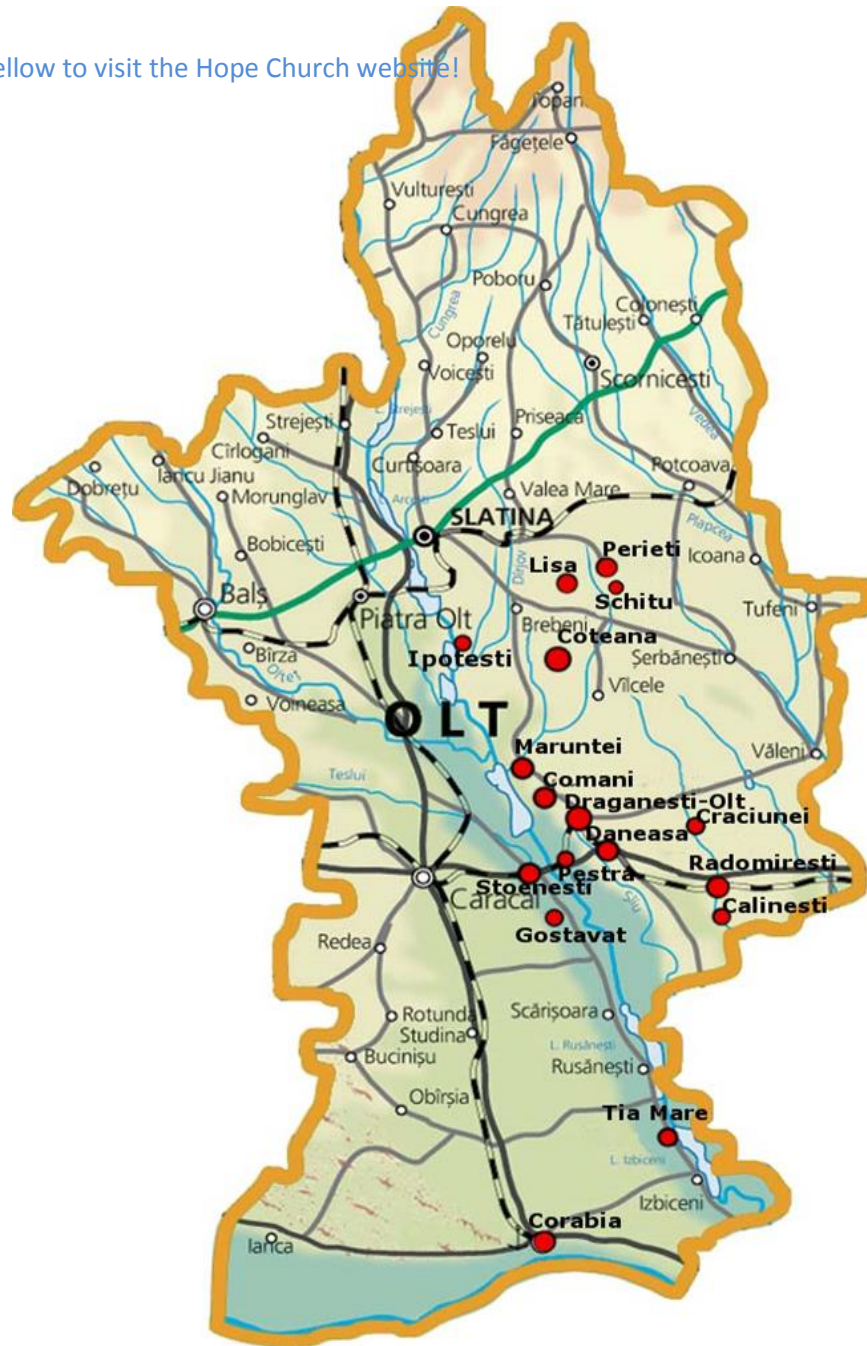
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