



The Gross Family to Moldova



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“Taking the next step” perfectly describes the weeks and months ahead. We have been in Moldova now for 6 months, which is hard to believe. We now stand on the threshold of taking the next step in many aspects.

NEXT STEP AFTER FAMILY VISIT

Stephanie’s parents visited with us for 11 days this month. We enjoyed showing them Moldova and the people that we are seeking to reach with the Gospel. The fellowship and time with them refreshed and encouraged us. Now we are back on schedule and moving on with our work.

NEXT STEP IN LANGUAGE

After spending the summer reviewing and practicing the Romanian we learned this winter and fall, we will be taking the next step with advanced grammar. We look forward to gaining a further grasp of the language that will open the door for witnessing and ministering more effectively. **Pray for God to greatly bless our learning of the language this fall and winter.**

NEXT STEP WITH TUDOR

In July, our church took part in a two-day evangelization with the other Baptist churches in our region of the country. I invited Tudor to come, and he did come...with his wife! They listened intently as the preacher clearly gave the Gospel, came forward at the invitation, and called upon Christ for salvation!

The prayer request is that I would be able to meet with them for follow-up. I have tried to work out a time with him, but his new job has not made that possible yet. **Please pray that he will make the time to meet with me.**

NEXT STEP WITH VASILE

In preparation for the evangelization, I tried to invite every person in Hîncești that I have been getting to know. One of those people, Vasile, has a little booth at the market. When in the market, I usually stop and talk with him. In our conversation that day, he told me that he is “just a

little religious, not a fanatic.” He says that he believes in God but not in heaven or hell. He said that “once I die, I will be buried in the ground and

that will be it.” **Please pray for God to convict him and show him the truth of his eternal destiny as I continue to witness to him.**

NEXT STEP WITH CATIA

One week. As I write this letter, that is all the time we have left to witness to her before she leaves for work in America. When she was at our apartment last week, we were able to go through the entire Gospel with her. She has learned much Scripture from her parents, but her understanding and definitions are bound by the Orthodox

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Prayer Requests & Praises:

- Praise the Lord for Tudor’s salvation!
- Praise the Lord for a wonderful visit from Stephanie’s parents in August.
- Praise the Lord for Igor’s recovery from his mother’s passing away.
- Pray for continued learning of Romanian this fall.
- Pray for Catia, Vasile, Aliona, Victor, Ducia, Qassim, and Gemima’s salvation.
- Pray for Tudor’s spiritual growth.
- Pray for our children to learn the language.
- Thank you for your prayers and financial support!

teaching rather than the Bible. We learned much from her about the Orthodox religion through our talk and are glad that she is still open to us witnessing to her further. **Please pray for our meeting with her this week to clarify the true way of Salvation by grace through faith and not of works.**

NEXT STEP FOR IGOR

Thank you for your fervent prayers for Igor. After being away from his church family for a month, he returned with a longing to move forward for Christ. **Praise the Lord for being the God of all comfort!**

NEXT STEP FOR OUR CHILDREN

Last month, Abby and Caleb started going a couple days a week to a kindergarten here in our town. We want them to learn the language and continue to make Moldova home. Abby has already been saying Romanian words that she heard from the kindergarten. **Please pray for their learning of Romanian.**



Stephanie with her parents



Us with Aliona, our Romanian Teacher