



love the little children

kelly hornsby... loving the little children of Romania with the love of Jesus!



A little about me...

This spring there has been a group of us who meet each Wednesday for a Bible Study. This has been a great blessing to me, especially since I only catch about 50% of what is being said each Sunday morning in church. We have been studying Beth Moore's "To Live is Christ" which is the study of the life of Paul. It has been a very interesting study through Acts and several of Paul's letters. His life is pretty amazing to me. He went through more than I am sure any of us can imagine for the cause of Christ... he was encouraged by some and rejected and beaten by others, he walked into danger instead of away several times, he was steadfast in following where ever Christ wanted him to go, doing what Christ wanted him to do, and saying what Christ wanted him to say. In his own words at the end of his life... "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." (2Tim4:7) Paul refers to running a lot... I do too... although I usually use it in the sense that I have been "running around like crazy lately" or we will "pick up the pace" when the teams start arriving for the summer. Please pray that this summer I will not "run around like crazy," but when trouble comes and it is busy I will say with Paul, "Therefore I do not run like a man running aimlessly; I do not fight like a man beating the air." Pray that I will "run in such a way as to get the prize." (1Cor9:26,24) It is so easy to get caught up in the urgent that I miss the important little moments that matter most... pray that those would be the moments I would seek out and run towards!



Livada Praise Report...

What an amazing month this has been! As May began and I was updating you on the month of April... the month of prayer and fasting for the captives to be set free at Ludus... I reported that there had not been much change (that we could see yet). Well, the month of May brings news of God's continuing faithfulness and His constant working behind the scenes! God is breaking down walls...

As many of you have already heard, we went before the county commission last week to present them our summer request for Ludus. Our director, psychologist, and our lawyer were present this time. Included in our request to have Day Camps at Ludus and continue our computer lab throughout the summer was the Preschool program that had already been rejected twice. With our lawyer present the mud slinging and name calling was held in check and the issues were clearly discussed. Before the meeting ended our whole summer program was approved! Angela, who has been waiting since January to begin the preschool program at Ludus could hardly contain her excitement at the news! She will go three mornings a week all summer to do a recovery and play therapy program with these kids.

We co-hosted a conference a few weeks ago with another foundation that works in our area. It was for all the foster parents, group home parents, social workers, etc. in our county. The guest speaker was Dr. Paul Warren from Dallas. He is a Children's Behavior Psychiatrist among many other areas of expertise. He was a great encouragement and help to all who attended. The special treat was that he was able to meet with us about all of the kids in our care. He gave us encouragement and very helpful and practical steps to take with all of our kids to help them continue to grow and develop! It was a great reconfirmation that we are on the right track.

It was also a time of becoming more aware that the standard Romanian education system is not set up to work with any child with learning differences, attention issues or emotional issues. Basically all of our kids have a varying degree of all of these due to their genetics, neglect and institutionalism. We are working to recuperate them and the system seems to work against us in many ways. We are living in a post communist education system that was designed for only the straight book learners who shine early to move ahead to high school and college after eighth grade. The rest either stop after eighth grade all together or move on to "professional school" to learn a trade and make up the work force. We find ourselves in this system with hours of homework each night and little room for the different hurdles our kids must overcome. We are in the process of looking into what our alternatives might be for several if not all of our kids. There are not as many options as we have in the states. There is one private school in town and one in a village a little ways out, home school is not aloud, and we find our selves praying about whether or not God wants us to try to establish a Christian school in the future. Please pray with us for wisdom in school placement for next year.

We also had another construction team here during May. They were incredible! They wired and sheetrocked the whole house, put on a bunch of the roof, insulated, and much more. Our interns for the summer have arrived this week and they are actually ready to start painting the outside of the house and the interior walls! Wow! A house can go up fast when you have many hands and hearts set on building it for God's glory and for 10



more orphans to be rescued from Ludus! It was fun to see our kids learning and working alongside the team a few times. They keep asking when they are going to have friends move in near them. Please pray that just as God has built this house through prayer and many hands that He will raise up those who want to sponsor the kids who will move in here hopefully this fall. We are still working on raising up sponsor teams for all our kids at Casa Rebeca as well



as for the next two houses. If you would like to be on a sponsor team for any of our current kids or for a new child coming into our care, let me know!

I had to save the best news of the month for last! In the past two weeks we have had two of our girls at Casa Rebeca pray to receive Christ. Eniko (12) and Kati (9) are now new baby Christians. Praise the Lord! All we do here is ultimately so that Christ will be made known to these kids and so that they will come to know Him as their true father... the one who never leaves and loves

them always. Pray for these two girls as they start a relationship with Christ. Pray for us as we seek to disciple them and help them to grow in their faith. Pray that others in our care will come to know Him as well!



Join me through Prayer...

Here are some things to pray for during the month of June...

1. Casa Rebeca... Pray for Eniko and Kati to grow in their faith, pray for our camps, day camps, and other summer programs to be used to draw others to Him, pray for our decisions about school for next year, pray for unity and fun this summer as the kids are out of school.

2. Ludus... Praise God for allowing us to be their this summer, pray for Angela as she leads the pre-school ministry, pray for our day camps on site, pray for the kids to hear and respond to the gospel at camp this summer, pray for Doamna Dancu's salvation and/or removal from her position as director, pray for wisdom as we minister there.

3. Staff... Pray for all of our staff, summer interns and teams that will be here this summer to have unity, to be effective in ministry, to have time with the Lord alone, to keep the main thing the main thing, and to LOVE kids with the love of Christ!

4. Personal... Pray for wisdom and effectiveness as I work in many areas of ministry this summer and try to find sponsors for all our kids at Casa Rebeca and set up meetings for fund raising for the kids when I go to the states in August, pray for divine appointments and willing hearts.

5. Praises... Praise Him for open doors at Ludus, Eniko & Kati's salvation, Dr. Warren's wisdom, teams sharing their lives and resources, being the King of all who holds all the resources of the world at his disposal, and for His promise to never leave us or forsake us!



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