



Road in Romania

The Dunn Family in Romania

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Speed Update



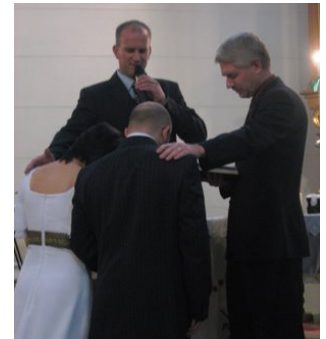
If your Fall season is shaping up anything like ours', you won't have much time to read this. So we'll keep it to some short bullet points and pictures!



◆ In early September we enjoyed a visit from Pastor Brenda Young, and her administrative assistant, Carol Tatman. They are from one of our supporting churches, Cornerstone Free Methodist in Akron, Ohio.

◆ On September 22 Scott officiated his first Romanian wedding, even managing to lead portions of the service in Romanian without translation.

◆ Sadly, we had to cancel our Carpathian Basin retreat that was scheduled for the last weekend of September. We were using a new retreat center, and the contractors failed to meet promised deadlines for the housing facilities. A "plan B" facility didn't work either, so we're considering trying it again in the Spring.



◆ After 2½ years of praying (thank you!), Stephen and Lydia have met some Romanian friends close to their age who live in our immediate neighborhood.

◆ On September 25 we were very happy to welcome Drew Walter to Romania. Drew comes to us from one of our supporting churches in Galion, Ohio. He has joined our team specifically to assist Stephen and Lydia with their internet schooling.

◆ Paula was blessed with the opportunity to go to a "Times of Refreshing" retreat for European missionaries, October 7-10. Besides staying in the Bernese Alps of Switzerland (all expenses paid), she made some good connections with Romanians and missionaries serving in Romania.



◆ Scott hosted a gathering in Arad on October 11 for his developing list of contacts who are either interested in or are doing church planting in Romania and Hungary. He hoped 7-8 people would be able to come, but word spread, interest grew, and we enjoyed hosting 18 people at this gathering. All of us are passionate about starting new churches that will reach and transform a rapidly changing Romanian society with the always-relevant work of Jesus.

◆ October 16-18 Scott attended the first-ever Romanian Global Leadership Summit. It was sponsored by a network of churches that are doing ministry in new ways. The best part for Scott was getting to connect with yet another network of young Romanian church planters and finding in them a very similar desire to spawn a movement of new churches to reach a new Romania.

New Things to Come

✦ This week, October 22, we are starting a new cell group in our home. Including us, we have a core of 6 people starting this new group.

✦ Oaza will begin a new season of community outreach clubs beginning November 1. Paula will be leading a music club once again, and Drew, our new volunteer for Stephen and Lydia, will be teaching an English club.

✦ Scott will travel to Belgium November 4-6 for European Leadership Team meetings.

✦ We're looking forward to Paula's parents visiting November 19-December 1.

Carpathian Corner

Jerry and Jan Coleman returned to Budapest in late August after their one-year home assignment. Jerry is our Area Director for all of Europe and serves as Scott's coach as well. Jan rejoins the Budapest church and missionary team. Rejoining a missionary team after a year's absence has its challenges because things have progressed both for the missionary and the team, and needs are different. Pray for Jan and the Budapest team as they process through this transition, that God will direct their roles and responsibilities for a strong and healthy Kingdom impact.



New Volunteers

Our missionary team here in Arad will be growing again after the 1st of the year. Spencer and Lynsey Ball, and their two young children have been approved to come as VISA (Volunteers In Service Abroad) missionaries. They will be serving primarily in roles with Oaza, but we hope to get them involved in other church and/or mission activities as well. They plan to stay until August, 2010. They are raising their funding right now, and we know they'd appreciate your prayers!



Praise Items

- ✓ Drew Walter accomplished his fund-raising goal and arrived earlier than hoped: Sept. 25! He and our kids are off to a great start with their schooling.
- ✓ We hosted a very encouraging church planting gathering on October 11 with 18 people participating, all interested or involved with church planting in Romania.
- ✓ Stephen & Lydia have met some new friends close to their age in our neighborhood.

Prayer Needs

- ✂ Wisdom for the next steps we need to take with our developing network with Romanian church planters.
- ✂ A good start to the new cell group we're starting this month in our home.
- ✂ Our family's witness in the lives of Stephen and Lydia's new neighborhood friends.
- ✂ Direction in how to do something for youth in our neighborhood.
- ✂ Emmanuel Church Leaders as we continue to discern God's future for the church.
- ✂ Paula's administrative assistance with Oaza and for the community clubs that will begin again on November 1.

Emmanuel Church-Arad

Continue to pray for our Emmanuel Church in Arad. Recent topics at our team meetings have centered around discipleship: What practical steps do we need to be taking with our people—old and new—to ensure growth toward maturity in Christ? Pastor Nelu and Scott are now meeting more often for prayer, and more of the leadership meeting time is being devoted to prayer.

Giving

Remember, you can give online at www.thedunnsinromania.org. Follow the instructions for online giving, and be sure to specify Dunns Missionary Support. As you give, remember:

- 1) Faithfulness and consistency of your gifts keeps our balance adequate.
- 2) You must designate "Dunns in Romania" so funds are credited properly to our account.
- 3) Communicate your giving commitments to us so we know what we can count on. THANKS!

Support Update

As of October 17, we have received 73% of our annual support need, which very close to where we need to be this time of year (75%). Thank you for making our ministry here possible!

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Response Checklist

- ☐ Partner in Ministry forms are available in electronic (MS Word) format at www.thedunnsinromania.org. Contact us if you or someone you know would like to sign up as a partner with us.
- ☐ Contact information: Phone: 614-771-0438 (rings in Romania...remember we're 7 hours ahead of EST) or 011 40 257 338 268
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