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“The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus”  
(**Philippians 4:7**).

“I can do all things through Christ which strengthened me” (**Philippians 4:13**).

Dear brother in Christ, William,

Warmest greetings from Northern Romania to you and all the believers in the **Fuchu** Christian Assembly in the lovely Name of our unique Saviour the Lord Jesus Christ. During these very challenging times we trust that you are being greatly helped and sustained and much encouraged in the Lord. Truly, as the Lord said to the apostle Paul in the first century: “My grace is sufficient for thee” (**2 Corinthians 12:9**). Divine grace is also sufficient for us as we await the imminent return of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ (**Hebrews 10:37; Philippians 3:20-21**).

Recently I have been studying and ministering from **Philippians chapter 4** and very much enjoyed the four very precious promises in **verses 7, 9, 13 and 19**. Two of these verses are written above. May every believer be in the constant enjoyment of these wonderful Divine promises:

1. **Verse 7** – The promise of the peace of God.
2. **Verse 9** – The promise of the presence of the God of peace.
3. **Verse 13** – The promise of the power of God.
4. **Verse 19** – The promise of the provision of God.

Sincere apologies for the delay in writing this letter of thanks, we have been extremely busy in the Lord’s work in recent weeks and will be even busier during the next few weeks and months with extensive travel, ministry meetings, series of Bible studies and ongoing preparations for the **2025** summer gospel tents’ work.

Could you very kindly thank the Assembly for the very kind and most generous gift of **200 pounds**. Sue and I greatly appreciate this practical expression of Christian love and fellowship sent to us. Therefore, a very big thank you for the Assembly’s kindness, thoughtfulness and exercise in helping with the furtherance of the gospel in Romania. We give thanks to God that “the gospel of Christ... is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth” (**Romans 1:16**).

In early November you received our “annual” prayer letter and below are a few details of different ministries we have been engaged in with the Lord’s great help in recent months.

**2025 Calendars** – Enquiries about calendars are received towards the end of the year as people look forward to receiving them. This year over **135,000 calendars; 110,000 A5 gospel texts** and **10,000 A6 gospel texts** with a gospel message on the back; and **115,000 gospel tracts** were printed. For special distribution in the large city of Iași **60,000 A6 gospel texts** were also printed. Calendars have been distributed in shops, offices, hospitals, marketplaces, on the streets, as well as being given to friends, neighbours and relatives of believers.

They were also sent to the Romanian diaspora in Belgium, Italy and England. In London and Birmingham Romanian believers give out gospel literature and engage in gospel outreach. There are good opportunities for conversations with people during the distribution of calendars and literature on the streets.

**Calendars given out in a variety of settings** – Special gospel meetings and carol services take place in different areas during the month of December. Paul was invited to preach in a public culture hall (no heating!!) in **Găujani** (County of Giurgiu) on the Romanian border with Bulgaria. Over 200 children from the local school and their teachers were present to listen to the preaching of the gospel. It was a wonderful occasion and great opportunity.

**It is good to encourage and support smaller local assemblies** – in Bible teaching and gospel outreach: For the last few years we have spent a few days with a group of brethren on the streets in towns in the Counties of Hunedoara, Gorj and Mehedinți giving out calendars, A5 gospel texts and gospel tracts. Mid December with these brethren and some believers from small assemblies we were able to distribute calendars and gospel literature in the mining valley of Jiu (Petrila, Petroșani and Vulcan), Deva, Baia de Aramă, Motru and Târgu Cărbunești. We would value prayer for the development of this work. God willing, next month we will revisit these towns for three days of literature distribution using tracts and A5 gospel texts (with a message on the back about the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ).

**Translation and checking literature** – Sue has finished the huge task of checking the translation of the **Precious Seed books on the Old Testament**. During the year I will discuss needed changes with the translator and then God willing we will print the Old Testament probably in two volumes.

Having a base for the work in the region of Moldavia (N & NE Romania) helps in the consolidation of the literature work, the expansion of gospel outreach and many opportunities for Bible teaching in the Counties of Suceava, Iași, Neamț and Botoșani. Please **pray** for spiritual growth and maturity amongst believers. Working alongside local elders and assemblies we are seeking to develop different aspects of the Lord's work with a younger generation of believers living in a constantly changing society.

**Gospel tents' ministry** – We continue to prepare for the 18<sup>th</sup> year of using tents for gospel work throughout Romania. This involves many discussions about the logistics of the tent work in many localities; printing new gospel tracts and children's books for prizes, etc. Last summer gospel tents were pitched in **93** places: in **15** Counties (**88** villages and towns) throughout **Romania**; also in 4 villages and in the capital Chișinău (Dumbrava area) in the **Republic of Moldova**. **23,000** children and over **8,250** young people and adults (believers and unbelievers) have attended these tent meetings with some people being wonderfully saved by God's grace. We would really appreciate your fellowship in prayer for this gospel work.

**Bible teaching** – Spending a significant amount of time in the North has meant regular visits to many local assemblies in the city and County of Suceava. It has been encouraging to see large numbers of keen young people in the meetings. Increasingly elders in different local assemblies are asking for specific subjects to be taught. Ministry on prophetic subjects (future events) was requested and I am halfway through a series of 12+ meetings with the Verești assembly. The monthly studies (17.00 to 20.00) on the life and ministry of Elijah (1 Kings 17 – 2 Kings 2) recommenced in November with very good interest with believers from assemblies in the city and County of Bacău. This month (Friday 28th February) we will commence studies in 1 Thessalonians. The same month a new Saturday (10.00 to 14.00) Bible study (an overview of the Old Testament) commenced in Southern Romania in Alexandria, County of Teleorman. In December after the study in Alexandria I was able to minister on the Lord's day in three assemblies in the Counties of Sibiu and Alba (Sibiu, Miercurea Sibiului and Lancrăm). The following three days it was great to work on the streets distributing calendars and gospel tracts (see above).

It was a real joy late autumn to be invited to preach at baptisms in Sărata, County of Maramureș when two believers were baptised by immersion and to preach in some assemblies in the Counties of Satu Mare and Bihor.

The first week of **2025** was a very busy but most profitable time ministering in the Northern Counties of Iași, Neamț and Suceava in 5 assemblies including three nights of ministry in the Pașcani assembly. Late January it was good to speak at the opening of the new gospel hall in Păltiniș (which is on the border with the Republic of Moldova and the Ukraine), which was packed with 125 people including the local Mayor and his deputy. Recently two profitable weekends have been spent visiting 4 of the 5 assemblies in the city of Iași with large numbers of believers attending. Last Lord's day was an excellent time spiritually in the County of Bacău. In the morning two assemblies (Sănduleni and Livezi) gathered for a ministry meeting after the Lord's Supper in Sănduleni. In the evening, the three assemblies in the city of Bacău gathered together for a united ministry meeting. In the afternoon I was able to spend two hours with a young brother from Bacău who has great potential. When in the North I have been invited for Bible studies on Thursday evenings when two smaller assemblies gather together – Grănicești and Dumbrava (in the County of Suceava). These ministry meetings commenced last Thursday in Grănicești and continue tomorrow evening in Dumbrava.

Prayer would be appreciated for 4 nights of ministry (Ephesians 1:1-14) when 4 assemblies will unite and by rotation I will minister in 4 locations (Târgu Neamț, Păstrăveni and the 2 assemblies in Urecheni) – March 16-20. During the last three months with the Lord's great help I have been able to have ministry meetings in 32 assemblies and we pray that the saints who gathered have been edified spiritually.

#### **PRAYER POINTS**

**Pray** for spiritual fruit from the distribution of the Word of God (gospel calendars) and gospel literature.

**Pray** for the salvation of those who have heard the gospel at special meetings.

**Pray** that the good seed sown will bear fruit and that many will be saved by God's grace.

**Pray** for young believers who are getting involved in the Lord's work.

**Pray** for younger men developing as Bible teachers – it is a great encouragement to see.

The fellowship of the Assembly practically and in prayer is much needed and greatly appreciated. May the Lord Jesus Christ richly bless you during these challenging times as we await His imminent return.

Yours in the Master's service and with much love in the Lord,

Paul and Sue Williams