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Dear All,

Welcome to our spring newsletter. Much has happened in the last couple of months, all positive and very busy. Since last time;

Alex, our new nurse has settled in well and is proving to be just the right person for Ascensium, this has meant that the health programme is now fully up and running and includes the following;

- Ante Natal classes in town
- First Aid and Sex Education in schools and other settings
- Radio interview on Radio Voice of the Gospel - remember we used to do a regular slot many years ago.
- Discussions with rural health care facilities for courses in villages

Aurelia is well and her pregnancy is progressing well. She will be leaving us very soon to go on maternity leave, so Alex will keep the programme going and we will try to recruit another Nurse for the autumn. We wish Aurelia well - more news as it comes or rather when the babies (yes its twins) come.

Nuti - Well done and many congratulations to Nuti who has passed her social work exams with top marks, 10 in both written & oral, she is now able to work as a social worker. |



Annual General Meeting;

Steve was able to be in Sibiu in March for this and all was well. Our vice president Neli Chirila (used to work with us as a volunteer), would like us to set up an affiliation in Iasi - Moldova, where is now lives. Who knows, we have always said we could expand to other areas of Romania.

(Our **SHARE AGM** is on **July 5th** in **Preston** - more details on next newsletter).

Young People's Trip to Sibiu July 2008

We are taking a group of 17 young people to Sibiu - Adina & Ben included, this summer to help with the holiday clubs. We will be staying for 10 days and are trying to raise all of the money to go ourselves. This is proving quite difficult as they all have exams coming up. We have applied for a couple of bids and arranged several events (one of the boys had his legs waxed ouch!!) so fingers crossed for that. If anyone out there wishes to help, please contact us.

A group of 6 young people are travelling with Trafford Youth Service to Sibiu again this summer, these links continue to strengthen and we are receiving many requests for groups of young people to go and volunteer each year. We hope to develop this work further and have asked Trafford Youth service for help.

Moving News;

After several years in our present office we have moved across town to the following address;

Aleea Biruintei, Bloc 7, ap.30, Cedonia, Sibiu.

Telephone; 0040269252181

Whispers;

As most people know we have a business in Bucharest that helps to support Ascensium directly in Romania. A regular donation is sent to Sibiu each month for day to day expenses. We have begun to promote this on the Whispers website and tell our clients that they are helping their own people. This has been well received and sets a good example of ethical trading. Please see www.whispers.ro where our logo appears.

Bits and pieces;

Steve continues to attend the Archbishops Romania Liaison Group, keeping us on the radar of the C of E elite!!! He also continues to attend the 3 faith forum events with the Sternburg Foundation.

The work of Professor Stan Tucker from Newman College (I think now University) continues to develop with the University of Lucian Blaga Sibiu with the early years programme.

Requests;

The usual requests for funding, we still struggle from month to month and would encourage people to consider regular monthly giving. The work is needed as much as ever and the monthly amount remains very economical at £3000 to break even.

We also need new Trustees to boost our trusty band of long servers - they need to know that the load is spread a bit!
If you can help us in anyway please contact us on
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Please let us know if your contact details have changed and if you have an e-mail address.

Thank you

Mandy & Steve

