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God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Psalm 46:1

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Winter is almost over, but we are still facing extremely low temperatures here in Romania. In some regions, it is expected to drop as low as -18°C (0°F). We are sharing some pictures of the snowy landscapes near our home and the beautiful historic center of Braşov. Please pray for those who are struggling with the cold, especially those who cannot afford proper heating. By God's grace, and through your generosity, we are able to stay warm at home. For that, we are deeply grateful.







The Lord's Work Continues

Despite the weather, the church remains active, and we have had baptisms! We are sharing a picture from the day of the baptisms inside the church. We give glory to God for each new brother and sister who has publicly declared their faith in Christ. "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." (Acts 2:38)

We are also continuing our work with an international group, mostly brothers from Africa, but also some Americans. Many of them work or study in high-tech fields, including cybersecurity, and some are pursuing their doctorates at Braşov University. We recently gathered at our home for fellowship and spiritual growth. Please pray for them, that the Lord would guide their steps and use them mightily in their respective fields.





Biblical Counseling Training and Trauma Therapy

We have begun a certification program in counseling for trauma victims, in partnership with the Association of Christian Psychologists of Romania and a university in the United States. We are also training in counseling for marital relationships. These certifications include intensive coursework, supervised practice, and individual counseling sessions.





It is a great blessing to be part of a community of professionals with a Christ-centered worldview, ministering to wounded souls with the hope of Christ. "The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me, because the Lord has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted..." (Isaiah 61:1)

Please pray for this ministry of Biblical Therapeutic Counseling within our church in Braşov, Romania, and for the opportunity to share these experiences with friends and colleagues in other countries where we serve. May the Lord use these resources to restore lives and strengthen marriages for His glory.

Thank you for your prayers and faithful support. May the Lord bless and keep you.

In Christ.





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