



Taking Christ to the Nations

# Greetings from Romania

May 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We, Francisco and Martita, humbly invite you to join us in a Spirit-filled partnership to advance God's Kingdom in Brasov, Romania, as we labor together for the harvest (John 4:35). The Lord has been moving mightily in our midst, and we are eager to share the blessings He has poured out, seeking your prayers and support to continue this work for His glory (Philippians 1:5-6). These past months, we've witnessed the hand of God at work through inspiring events:

- **Ordination of New Pastors:** By God's grace, three new shepherds were ordained to the pastoral ministry, including our dear brother, Pastor Sami Oprisanu, vice president of the Sibiu Baptist Association, who led in fervent prayer over the pastoral team (1 Timothy 4:14). Among those ordained are Apollo Glen and Paul, faithful servants at Hope Baptist Church in Brasov, officially recognized this April for their steadfast service, as we affirm those called to lead (Titus 1:5).



- **EMDR Therapist Certification:** With thanksgiving, I (Francisco) completed a new chapter of training, earning certification as an EMDR therapist, equipping me to bring healing through Christ's love (Psalm 147:3). Sisters Vanessa Snyder from the USA and Anda Mogos from Romania presented the diploma, a step forward in serving those in need (Galatians 6:2).





- Baptisms: Hallelujah! This April, five new sisters publicly declared their faith through the sacred waters of baptism (Acts 2:38), during one of our four annual ceremonies. Among them were Tessa and Sofia, precious daughters of our pastors Claudio and Paul, shining as lights for the next generation (Matthew 5:16).

- New Members Class: The Lord continues to grow His church! In April, we launched the first of two annual new members' classes, welcoming 28 brothers and sisters eager to join the family of Hope Baptist Church and grow in fellowship (Acts 2:42). We equip them to walk faithfully in the body of Christ (Ephesians 4:12)



- Election of New Deacons: With hearts full of praise, our congregation elected 13 new deacons, including four sisters, to serve and strengthen our leadership team (1 Timothy 3:8-13). They will guide the church with wisdom and grace, building up the body for God's purposes (Romans 12:4-8).

We are in awe of God's faithfulness and invite you to partner with us through fervent prayer (Colossians 4:2) for this vibrant ministry in Brasov. Together, let us proclaim the Gospel, disciple new believers, and shine as a beacon of hope in Romania (Matthew 28:19-20). May the Lord bless you abundantly as we unite in His service (Hebrews 6:10)!

In Christ's love,

*Francisco & Martita*

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