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PRAYER REQUESTS

- Spiritual and physical protection for our family amidst the intense spiritual battle that we are continually in.
- For wisdom as we disciple others through many difficult life situations. May the Lord Jesus reach the hearts of His children and bring transformation.
- That we would be filled with wisdom, peace, and hope as we navigate the many restrictions here in this season, and that we would be faithful witnesses to the lost around us.

BACKGROUND

Florin: I was born and raised in Pitesti, Romania. I come from a big family where I had the opportunity to learn a lot of things from my older siblings. I went to a Christian high school but also worked during my school years to help support my family and myself. When I finished school, I had to work and God blessed me with a really good job. I worked for two years at that job while also serving in my church. Then God changed my direction to go and serve in Ukraine. This meant leaving behind my family, friends, personal desires, and plans for the future, to go to a place where I didn't know anyone, anything, or even the language. All I could do was trust the Lord with what He was asking me to do.

Avery: I grew up in a little Hispanic community in central California. I was homeschooled and am the second oldest of eight.

CONVERSION EXPERIENCE

Florin: I grew up in a Christian family, but it was not until 2000 that I received Christ in a personal way. In the summer of 2000, I went to a church where the pastor was speaking about giving your life to Christ. He challenged everyone that if they had prayed to accept the Lord into their lives before, but were still unsure if they were saved, that they could come forward and begin a new life with the Savior. Growing up in the church I had heard this message before and had prayed such a prayer, but it was at this time that I was convicted of sin in my life and realized that I had to come clean before God through Jesus. After that, my life started to change radically. My purpose became to please Him with my life as I serve and work for Him.

Avery: I grew up in a Christian home and I believed with a childlike faith in Jesus at a very young age, but it was not until later that I really committed my life to the Lord. When I was in my early teens I went through a really hard time. My mom became seriously ill. We discovered a serious mold situation in our house and so we were without a home for about a year. My family moved away from my Hispanic hometown to northern California and I lost my friends and everything I knew. In this difficult time,

I began to question my faith and everything I had grown up believing. I was lonely, hurting, confused, depressed, and had no purpose in my life. The Lord in His mercy did not leave me alone but instead He drew me to Himself when I had nowhere else to turn.

Even though I knew so much truth in my mind, I needed to really take it by faith as a part of my own personal life, rather than just the faith of my parents. I began reading the Bible and trying to find the answers to my questions. One day the Lord showed me through His Word, in a very real way, that He was alive and really did love me! That was a turning point in my life. The Lord pulled me from my hopelessness and gave me hope. Since then my relationship with the Lord has increasingly grown. He became the reason for my life, and my desire to serve Him with my whole life continues to increase.

MINISTRY FOCUS

We are serving in Bucharest, Romania primarily among the Muslim immigrant/refugee population here. We are also discipling Romanian nationals, as it is a way of life for us.

GREATEST HOPES IN MINISTRY

We desire to see a solid and consistent team of believers that work together for the same eternal goal of reaching the lost in the M community.

That a consistent Bible study group in Arabic would be re-established.