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Location: **Cluj-Napoca, ROMANIA**

Mission: **Outreach and teams ministry**



In their hearts humans plan their course, but the Lord establishes their steps. Proverbs 16:9

Like everywhere, there was plenty going on in Cluj during the Christmas season. Here are some of our Christmas highlights.

Cluj Christian Fellowship (CCF) - Alongside Hungarian students of Kolozsvári Tirannosz Ház, we hosted a walking City Tour for nine International Students. We were delighted to host two of these students for Christmas Day lunch at our home. CCF hosted the Carol Service for the Royal School across two nights, giving us the opportunity to introduce the ministry, chat and network with a large section of the international community in the city.

In and around Tóköz - The Christmas Concert on 12 December in Tóköz was a wonderful celebration of the birth of Jesus and a great showcase for the musical talent being developed in the church. Steve was kept busy during the Christmas week of services: preaching, providing some technical support, and leading the band on Christmas Eve. Thankfully the Kindergarten opened just before Christmas giving Rosie the opportunity to tell the Christmas story.

Finally - Family friends invited us to a traditional Hungarian Reformed, St Stephen's Day Service in a village close to the city, experiencing some traditional Hungarian customs and sampling food. In the week following Christmas, we also were invited to the home of Romanian friends for some traditional Romanian Christmas fayre.

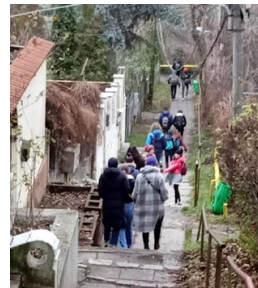
Looking ahead

Within CCF, the major focus is on increasing the frequency of our gatherings, in order to develop deeper community

and fellowship. CCF is partnering with Agnus Rádió, the radio station of the Hungarian Reformed Church in Cluj, to engage in a number of conversations on mission. These will be broadcast on Agnus Rádió, and available on the CCF YouTube channel, therefore widening the audience.

Steve and Rosie have been approached to help a local organisation, Pulzus, for young adults. The exact details are being worked out at the moment, but there are exciting opportunities to collaborate with this organisation on student and young adult ministry.

Proverbs 16:9 reminds us we plan our course but we trust our plans to God who guides our steps, and gives us opportunities to serve others. Amazingly, establishing his path.



The City Walking Tour



Julia, Lucy and a friend, Attila, trying on traditional Hungarian clothes.

Prayer points

- Give thanks and praise God for the services in Tokoz during Christmas; continued connections with the International community through students, social media and school; and a chance to meet with those interested in the CCF ministry and discuss the future.
- Pray for plans to increase the CCF meetings, wisdom as to the best format.
- Pray for Agnus Rádió, and the planned interviews/discussion.
- Pray for us and the partnership with Pulzus - for unity and harmony as we work out the collaboration.
- Pray for our language study - Hungarian and Romanian.
- Pray too for the next CCF service on Sunday, 6 February.