

Steve and Rosie Kennedy

Location: **Cluj-Napoca, ROMANIA**

Mission: **Outreach and teams ministry**



We arrived in Cluj-Napoca (Kolozsvár in Hungarian) in the time between Christmas and New Year. The previous few weeks had been busy with packing and saying our “see you later” farewells. The girls finished up their schooling in Belfast, and have begun connecting with new classmates in Cluj. And so we are beginning to settle into our new home and new life in Transylvania.

We are working within the Tóvidéki Church congregation in the city. This fellowship has for some time sought to build bridges through providing simultaneous translation of worship services from Hungarian into both English and Romanian, as well as welcoming mission teams from a range of countries. English language provides a connection point for many different groups in Cluj, and a ministry began in 2008 to reach out across the city through worship services conducted in English. A revitalisation of this ministry is where we have been invited to serve, and it is operating under the name of Cluj Christian Fellowship.

With the global pandemic pushing many of us to online and video communication, we were able to connect ahead of time with the new ministry in Cluj in which we will serve in ways that we had not anticipated.

The new ministry began its services in November, and will continue on the second Sunday of each month. Services are streamed, helping us to connect as widely across the region as possible while we are not all able to meet together.

As well as setting up home, the coming weeks will see us connecting with the church fellowship, working on language skills, and orientating ourselves in our new surroundings.



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Prayer points

- Praise God that we were able to have a service of ordination, induction and commissioning prior to our departure, and for many barriers large and small that God moved to allow us a window to relocate.
- Praise God for his faithfulness and guidance on the journey thus far.
- As we join the team at Tóvidéki Reformed Church, pray that we will settle in quickly and work well in the ministry team.
- Pray for the English language ministry - for continuing clarity of vision and unity of purpose, and for effective outreach and mission.