

Steve and Rosie Kennedy

Location: **Cluj-Napoca, ROMANIA**

Mission: **Outreach and teams ministry**



"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8

As our two daughters reach their first half term break this week, it is a good time to pause and reflect on the last couple of months settling into life and ministry in Cluj-Napoca.

Services continue at Cluj Christian Fellowship, the English-language outreach of the Tóvidéki Reformed Church, with 25-30 people gathering once a month, and more joining online. As a new community of faith seeking to serve the city of Cluj-Napoca, we are studying together the opening chapters of the book of Acts, where we read of a new community of faith exploring the impact of the gospel on life, worship and witness in the city of Jerusalem.

We have begun a series of Lent Devotions - a verse of Scripture, followed by a reflection and prayer which is being distributed to around 15 of our group daily throughout the Lent season.

Steve has begun to work with the youth praise band at Tóvidéki Church, and we hope in the coming weeks to include a number of new younger members.

Much of the administration required in relocating to another country is now complete, and we are deeply thankful to God for how smooth it has all been - we have a deep sense of him journeying both before and with us, even in the more mundane matters of residency, bank accounts, car insurance, and so on. We feel very settled and welcomed in home, school and church.

One of our primary focuses in these early days of ministry is to meet far and wide, and make as many connections as possible. In the days of the global pandemic, this is met with inevitable restrictions and difficulties. Yet we are encouraged by the connections we have made through church, school and with other mission agencies, and hope to continue to develop these further.



Prayer points

- Pray for opportunities to make connections, particularly with the international community in Cluj.
- Pray for the next Cluj Christian Fellowship service of worship, on 14 March at 5pm (3pm GMT) - that God will continue to build us together as a fellowship, and draw more people.
- Pray that the Lent Devotions will serve to draw people deeper with Christ as we approach Easter.
- Pray that the new members to the praise band will feel quickly welcomed and able to explore their gifts.
- Pray for the ongoing work for our family on language, both Hungarian and Romanian.