

Csaba and Ilona Veres

Location: **Cluj, ROMANIA**

Mission: **Outreach ministry and children's ministry and teaching**



Diakonia Children's Programme

After Orthodox Easter (2 May), many children will be excited to get back to school after a month's break due to high Covid-19 numbers.

During April, Diakonia children's ministries found one-to-one teaching with children valuable and a blessing to many struggling families.

In May we will revert back to group work and the weekly good news clubs will also be able meet in person.

It has been discouraging that our online Good News Club have had very few views in April, and less and less children were engaging with the online Bible teaching or praise.

Vaccine Rollout

The rollout of vaccines against Covid-19 in Romania seems to be steady, however statistics show that acceptance of the vaccine in Roma communities is much lower. Many are fearful and reluctant to receive vaccination, others lack access.

In the village of Mera there has been no availability of the vaccine yet.

Diakonia Homecare

We are thankful for Covid-19 relief funds provided by PCI which will help the Diakonia homecare palliative care nursing staff with transport and much needed equipment.

The team of 20 nurses have been working steadily throughout the Covid-19 lockdowns, at times with increased workload and limited resources.

Prayer points

- Pray for the restarting of group work with the Roma children, for safety and health for children and staff.
- Pray for each child, as they develop spiritually, mentally, emotionally, physically. Pray they would hear God speak through his Word and come to know the Saviour and grow in faith.
- Pray for the Reformed Church advertising and information campaign targeting Roma communities. Pray this would be successful in raising awareness, combatting myths around the vaccine and in gaining trust.
- Pray for Csaba's support group providing spiritual and emotional support for the palliative care team.
- Pray that this bi-weekly meeting would be a time of processing feelings and experiences, a time to find refreshment in the Word and support of one another in prayer.