



## Simon & Lyndsey Marcu

Greetings from Bratislava. We give thanks to the Lord for all the many blessings He has given us over the Christmas break. We managed to collect approximately 200 shoeboxes, even more than last year! We shared 80 of

these with the children at the local Diagnostic Centre and the rest were given to the Roma community in Cinobana, approximately 3 hours from Bratislava. This journey was one filled with adventure and much prayer but God sustained us, even as the snow fell fast, the roads got more dangerous and the windscreen wipers stopped working. The youth group we are working with had a fantastic Christmas party and we had over 30 children attend our 'Gingerbread Christmas' event.



Now, it's 2010 and one filled with lots of enthusiasm and plans! On Friday 15th January we met for our first Bible study in our home. Our small apartment was filled with lots of talk, good food and the sound of guitar chords being strung. Please pray for guidance as we help lead the youth group through the gospel of John and organise our monthly outreach events. May God receive all the glory and honour. Blessings to you all and thanks for all your prayers.



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## Olga and Mirek

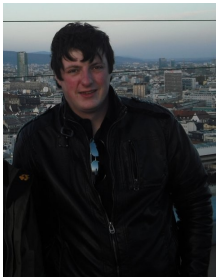
### Karbulova

Please prayer for Olga and Mirek's children - they come to the meeting but not regularly. Pray that the Lord would draw them to Him and that we would be a good example for them so that they can see our great Lord in our daily living. Please pray also for Olga and Mirek's daughter-in-law, who is pregnant and has got some problems that she would recognise His love and help in recovering.

## Aaron, Andrea & Jonathan Moody

Please pray for Andrea during her pregnancy. She plans on giving birth in the USA, and as her due date is 21st of March she will fly over sometime in February; Aaron plans to follow later. Pray for Andrea as she travels late on in her pregnancy and with Jonathan too. Pray also for the birth.





## Manuel Seifarth

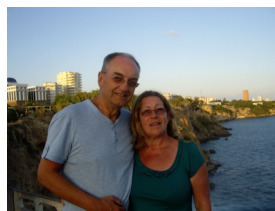
Mane has given the following encouraging report on the current youth work in his

church:

A challenging weekend lies behind the youth groups of our region and the church in Klingenthal.

We had a youth meeting last Saturday with a topic called "Vision...2012!". Two sermons were given by a preacher from Berlin challenging all of us towards our goals and visions for the future. We started to think and pray what the future of our church should be and where changes are necessary to get rid of old structures and traditions and to follow Jesus alone. Long conversations with the preacher took place and he also did the teaching in our Sunday morning meeting based on the parable of the old and new wineskins. Please pray for our church that God will make people willing to think about necessary changes and that we will see the direction in which he

wants to lead us. We are very clear about the fact that we must become active and get new visions, but at the moment we don't know where to start and which goals God wants us to pursue. We believe that he will show what his will is and that he is able to make renewals. And we know that prayer is the beginning. James 1:5 says "If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him."



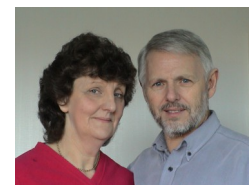
## Paul & Sally Thomas

Prayer is needed for Sally's Mum – she goes into hospital on the 27th January 2010 for an operation on her throat – it is thought to be an operation on the thyroid gland. Prayer is also needed for Mike and Jan (Paul and Sally's son and daughter-in-law) as they anticipate the birth of their third child early February 2010.



## Roger & Susan Brind

Please pray for Roger and Susan as Roger goes to Romania and Hungary from 18<sup>th</sup> January - 7<sup>th</sup> February. Roger has been invited to lead a series of seminars for the leaders of the Hungarian speaking assemblies in Romania from 20<sup>th</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup> January. Both Roger and Susan would value your prayers for safe travelling, help in the Bible teaching and for Susan as she stays at home, looks after the grandchildren and supports the work of the assembly at Llandaff North Christian Centre.



## Graham & Amaryllis Stock

Please pray for Amaryllis - she fell in the bathroom and broke her wrist badly. Very strong sedation was necessary to reset it, it left her with nausea, but is improving now; please pray that the pain will soon decrease and that the wrist will set properly so that her piano playing will not be compromised.

Graham also gives this report for our prayer attention:

In response to our CEE friends request for more participation in our camps by UK Christian youth, I have recently advertised the camps at the youth meetings in Swansea and made known this request. In March I will again make a presentation with a few slides about the camps, as this is about the time the youth decide on what they do in the summer period. Please pray that we might get a response from a few, as not only would our CEE friends be pleased, but I am sure that it would be a great benefit to our own youth to participate in the camps.

## Roger & Susan Brind

**Praise** God for the open doors in Wales to go into the schools and present the good news about the Lord Jesus Christ. Pray that this opportunity will be long preserved and that God will use what we seek to do for his glory.



## Derek & Margaret Ford

**Praise** God for Derek's recovery following his operation. Derek and Margaret would like to thank everyone for their cards and well-wishes.

## Renate Capusneanu

**Praise** God for answering prayers with regards to Renate's Bell's Palsy - she is 90% recovered and thankful for such a quick recovery.