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Dear Friends,

I am writing this letter in flight, as we rush home to the USA from Moldova and the Ukraine. *Phew!* With only one day to go before the 24th of November there wont be much time to prepare for Thanksgiving celebrations at Adullam House! *Thank God for our amazing team in Alabama* who are rocking our babies, taking our teens to sports events, special school events, doctor and dentist visits and of course - **cooking!** 

This week our AIM Academy Ensemble had the privilege of **singing the National Anthem before and Auburn University basketball game!** (You may have seen it on our Facebook page.) Next week, when we catch our breath, we will begin to plan Christmas for the children of Adullam House. Twin babies arrived at our nursery just before we left for Moldova. I can't wait to see how they have grown. It has been fast-paced to say the least—but oh—so, so worth it.

After ten days of non-stop meetings in Moldova and in the Ukraine, we are returning with full hearts and a great



sense of *"mission accomplished"*! The children in our care there are flourishing! *Lives are being changed and hearts are being healed.* I am taking home with me pictures of *glowing faces around a crowded dinner table* 



as they ate and giggled and chatted. One girl stood to her feet to sing a lively traditional Romanian song, while another mustered the courage to share a poem she had written when she was abandoned as a small child. She broke down and wept as she recited a question no one could answer. I felt the sting of her poignant, almost defiant little reproof...."How could a mother abandon her child?"...as it rippled around the room. Several girls moved over to hold her hand or rub her shoulder. It was quiet for a while as we acknowledged her pain. It hasn't been long since all of these teenagers were in tragic, dire circumstances.



Hunger, cold, abuse, abandonment and no hope for the future crushed their chances of life. Now, in the warmth of their new home and their new found family what an atmosphere! It's priceless!

We had the *privilege* this past week, to meet the needs of many refugees; the privilege of providing for children living in **inhumane** conditions as they flee the constant fear of bombing. Many of them have traded the promise of safety for abject poverty and are calling on God to help them. *Thank you for letting us be His hands.* 

Just two days ago, as we dressed to go to church in Odessa, the pastor texted us to make sure that we knew that the air raid sirens were sounding, and to let us know that Russian aircraft had been spotted flying over the re-

gion. He told us too, that they would still be gathering for the morning service if we still wanted to come. He said he



We were able to help these 6 children who fled from the Ukraine. Thank You!

would understand if we didn't. How glad we were that morning to be in church with them! This gentle, reserved pastor preached powerfully from Romans 8, assuring his hurting people that **NOTHING** could separate them from the love of God; not life or death or any other thing! How the Word came alive as he preached it in its rawest form to his congregation, who daily, are staring that very possibility in the face. How privileged we were to be with them and to help by giving them the funds that many of you have sent to us on their behalf.



Recently Brother Pete Spackman had felt that it was time for him to step down as President of Adullam International Ministries. As the *founder and leader* of this ministry since the inception of the prison outreach back in the mid 1980's, on into the birth of the outreach to incarcerated mothers and their children, Brother Pete has faithfully preached and prayed this great work into the miracle that it now is. At the grand ol' age of seventy-eight, and dealing with several health issues, we agreed he needed a slightly slower pace! He will continue being a mountain of strength to the work as he encourages all the staff and children as only he can.



The Board of AIM proposed that the boys' house in Moldova should be named *"Pete's Place"* in honor of our retiring President. He was more than honored at this recognition. A plaque with his name on it was presented to the house-parents and staff, and the boys themselves on this recent trip, honoring Brother Pete's many years of service.

In the same Board meeting, the Board agreed that the partnership between the work in Moldova and AIM should be officially recognized, and **AIM Moldova** was officially approved. Over the next weeks and months you will be hearing more and more about this amazing coming together of these two works, and after many years of partnership—

## The best is yet to come!

## ADULLAM INTERNATIONAL MINISTRIES

And so armed with our **new logo** and our *soon-to-be* new web site *to better inform you* of all that the Lord is doing here at **Adullam International Ministries**, we would like to wish all our partners who have made so much possible by your prayers and your giving, a very...

Merry Christmas

And may the Lord richly return to you a hundredfold all that you have done to make the lives of these children blessed and full because of the love of Jesus!



If you would like to make a difference through the work of Adullam International Ministries, at home, in Moldova, or in Kenya please help by giving the best gift you can this Christmas season. Our needs are increasing by the day as vulnerable children continue to come our way and the ministry continues to grow. You can give securely today via the button below! **All donations are 100% tax deductible.** 

> Wishing you peace and joy, Angie Spackman, President

Ps. As this letter is being prepared to go to print we've just gotten word that the power plant in Odessa has been bombed knocking out the power in Moldova. We've just sent \$4,000 for them to stockpile fuel to run the generators because we don't know how long and/or how frequently they'll be without. They are quickly approaching frigid temperatures. Please keep them all in your prayers.