

Newsletter

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"Open your mouth for the mute, for the rights of all who are destitute. Open your mouth, judge righteously, defend the rights of the poor and needy."

Proverb 31:8-9



PRAY

1. **New revenues ,new supporters to cover monthly expenses with regular monthly financial support. Ones we have a sufficient level of monthly support for our current home we can make plans to open a second home.**
2. **Wisdom and the best solution for Deborah and Tamara.**
3. **Deborah's and Elizabeth and Teresa need God's guidance and our staff need His wisdom to helping them in best way.**

1. PRAISE

1-Praise the Lord for ED's visit in USA which has been conducted as planned and during his absence everything went well in E'sW ' home in Tirana.

2- Our five girls are doing well despite of their difficulties.

3 -State orphanages , Municipality and Social Services trust Eagle's Wings more than before and as a result of that they are asking our help for different cases.



Thank you!

With this simple word I would like to express my gratitude.

Yes , thank you for reading our newsletter. In our hard and consuming work we need you to hear about us so at least we know that you are there to thinking about us to pray for us to share for us and to try to help in various ways. So even if you are only reading this news letter we thank you :)

I have started this newsletter like this, because I made a visit in USA from 5-16 January and after that visit I am very encouraged and am aware of the fact that we have good friends every where.

I met so many people by sharing and meeting them in their churches, schools, agencies, and their homes as well. It was a very nice and relaxed time, staying at our friend's homes rather than in the best hotel.

People were so interested to know about our ministry ,about Albania and I could not realized how the time ran off. Some of churches gave me a precious time for sharing in their main meeting (at Sunday's) as well

Every where I went ,I could realize easily people's interest and willingness to know us better and to help as well. Some of them have been asking about our girls calling them by names.

The last days I staid at Gaylord's home a very nice couple, even though they are not young anymore they are still very committed motivated and generous to help different ministries in Albania.

I regret that we (Albania) are far from the states ,for many people expressed their desire to visit our home and to meet our girls.

Another unique experience was the visit in the Firehouse Community Center of NBI in Oklahoma City.

I remained surprised when I saw and met very poor people and with various problems in that poor street. So I thought the state and the church/NGOs in USA are dealing with their own problems and at the same time are helping other countries as Albania.

The biggest surprise came from a boy's home at Thornwel SC. They heard about our ministry and girls and gave a generous gift for us despite of their challenges.

I shared about our future plans and about our challenges and somehow we have shared our burdens and more friends will get involved in supporting us.

There were many new folks who gave their contacts (e mail addresses) or signed up so to get in touch with our ministry.

I would like to thank you all and to mention your names here, but you are so many and I do not want to forget any of you indeed.

Nir Lika
Executive Director

Is it worth it,, ?

This question remained in my mind when in February 6 ,we met deputy chief of police station which covers the area where Tamara and Deborah's (sisters)live.

We asked a meeting with him because sister's mother does not agree to give formal agreements to let (formally) her daughters stay in our home (or elsewhere) nor to take them in home.

We started to share about sisters history and their mothers' lack of responsibility and the deputy chief replied that he knows something about that case.

Later on , he started to explain how difficult is to deal with such cases for them as well and continued with a question;

Is your job and efforts worth it? Adding that; those girls (and others like them) are so evil ,they do not even want to turn back at their own families ,,what can we do, or their families and you can do for them? Even State Social Services are hiding behind bureaucracies.

I replied with a simple response ; they are children and it is not their fault for the situation they are, if you or us loose trust and hope in what we it is better to leave our jobs.

We will go forward in our process/processes, but just to give you the idea of people with whom we have to collaborate in our work.

People in authority seems to be burned out and that might be a prayer point for us and for you as well.

Our girls are doing well except the fact that two sisters are waiting on her mother's decision and/or at State Social Services decision.

We are working to help Rebeka to find a home and to looking for a good roommate . She feels good of that decision which she has made for herself. Some times she feels afraid but still, now is the time she has to consider to go for independent life.

Elizabeth is in the same faze but we and she think that she needs some more months so to improve her communication and then will draft a plan with her participation.

Teresa is considering to find a part time job but we are encouraging her to consider firstly professional courses so to be prepared. We are working with her to continue the studies but it is difficult for she won't do that.

Recently we have received a request to help three more girls from state run orphanage who no longer can stay there.