# The Kimmel Family Reaching Romania for Christ

## **Spring 2018**

But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. Isaiah 53:5-6

We just celebrated Easter in Romania a few short days ago (4/8). It is a time of year when we solemnly reflect on Christ's suffering and death on the cross for the sins of the world. It is likewise a time of celebration and joy for those of us who have trusted in Him as our Lord and Savior knowing that through Christ's resurrection from the dead, we will also conquer death one day and thus be together with Him in Heaven for eternity.

# **Ministry News**

After a short break during the month of January, we resumed rehearsing with the teen choir to prepare for Easter. They worked hard to prepare eight songs for our special Easter

service.

This past Sunday, we had the privilege of singing in two area churches.

Please pray for those



who attended that the message of the music we shared and the preaching of the Word will convict those in need of Salvation.

In February, we also began a Bible course with the teens that includes 18 lessons that Luke prepared. We have around 16 participating. Prizes are awarded along the way, including Bibles. Those who finish the course will get to go to lasertag in May. Our goal is for them to be learning biblical principles, while also providing us with an opportunity to talk with them individually about spiritual truths. One young lady who is in Ruth's group expressed that she has been thinking about receiving Christ as her Savior. Please pray for ongoing opportunities to speak with them even after the course ends.

### **Furlough Plans**

Our furlough is right around the corner, and we are looking forward to seeing family and friends, including many of our supporting churches and ministry partners. Likewise, we count it a privilege to share our experiences with prospective missionaries during furlough. If you or someone you know is interested in missions, please contact us if we can help. We need to hit the ground running when we arrive in June before Celeste begins college in August. We are still looking for a family to watch our dog, and we are trusting that housing in Cincinnati will become available during the fall months. Please continue to keep our furlough plans in prayer.

## **Beautiful in His Eyes**

In January, Ruth began the first of a series of courses called "Beautiful in His Eyes" with ten teenage girls in the Potter's Club program. The four-week course focused on manicures, much to the great delight of all the girls. Each week Ruth wove spiritual principles of beauty into the practical application of basic hand and nail care, nail polish application, and special techniques such as French manicure, decals, crystals, and glitter. Her second course will begin in late April and focus on makeup selection and application.

## **Spring Ladies Outreach**

In mid-March, we held a Spring ladies outreach at church. Focusing on the theme "New Life in Christ," a dear Romanian friend shared how her life changed dramatically when her alcoholic father became saved, and she also received new life in

Christ. The ladies listened intently to her story, and we know that God will use this in their lives. They enjoyed the church decorations of butterflies, silk flowers, and white picket fences. Together they sang,



played games, made a craft, and shared a dessert. Please pray that these women will desire a new life in Christ.

#### **Praises**

- March ladies outreach
- Teens participating in the spring Bible course
- Easter choir concerts at our church and in nearby churches

#### **Prayer Requests**

- Ladies from the March outreach to keep coming to church
- Our girls' final month of school, a roommate for Celeste, and wisdom as she transitions to the US and college
- Furlough travels and ministry opportunities (and rest!) *Sharing the hope of new life in Christ!*

Dave, Ruth, Celeste, and Amber

