

RESCUE Humanitarian Foundation



Newsletter January- March 2012

January

Encouraging message through pictures

From old calendar received from the Bible League we cut image that has Bible verses, and from the cards received from Rondocaton we made the picture frame. In this way we made 500 pictures that will be give to inmate from Aiud.

In this activity we were helped by young volunteers from Lord's Army Church Jibou, Manastur and Iris Baptist Church.



Self development program through Art therapy method in Prison Aiud

Between October 2011 to January 2012 we organized a Self development program through Art therapy method in Aiud Prison.

The program was attended by 12 inmates with a low intellectual level and with poor reading skills on the Maximum Security Section in Aiud Penitentiary of which 7 persons have completed the course the rest being transferred to other sectors or in other prisons. The program has it objectives: exploration and structuring personal identity develop the capacity to control impulsive behavior, develop interpersonal skills.



A new leisure alternative in Aiud Prison

At the request of Aiud Prison management Rescue Humanitarian Foundation provided an outdoor table tennis that will be used by inmates from Maximum Security Department, which by nature of penalty regime does not have access to sports and other leisure facilities during their walking time. Playing table tennis is one way that inmates can develop pro-social attitudes and teamwork, hoping that in the future is going to be held in prison championships between inmates from the Maximum Security Department.



February

Young Baptist in Aiud Prison

With the help and God's grace we managed again to serve in prison in Aiud, together with some young volunteers from the Baptist Church No. 1, Manastur. We managed to meet with 40 inmates at a round table with a cake and a drink bought from our savings. We told them personal testimonies about how God saved us, we sang, we prayed for them and we encouraged to receive Jesus Christ into their lives. I told them that the grace of God and continued to explain about the concept of grace that was found only in Christianity, and that today is the day that can receive God's gift of forgiveness through Christ.



Occupational therapy through art in Aiud prison

The project involves working with detainees with special problems, encourage them to express their feelings, which often are deeply hidden. We believe that to discover and develop their potential is an important step on the road to self-representation.

The project goal is to provide opportunity for inmates to use their imagination to practice handcraft skills, patience, and see the world from a different perspective, and also to make their staying in detention more active.



March

Preparing the parcels for Woman's Day

At Rescue's office on 7th of March together with volunteers from Eclesia Church we realized 150 parcels special for woman from Cluj Prison and 40 parcels for inmate and their relatives from Aiud Prison.

The parcels contain product oh hygiene sweets, Christian literature, envelope and stamps. These parcels was made with the financial help of: SC Farmec SA Cluj, Eclesia Church Cluj, Baptist Church no1 Manastur, Logos Publishing, Sister Jeni Goldish and Rescue



8th of March in Gherla Prison Cluj Section

On 10th of March Rescue Humanitarian Foundation along with volunteers from Eclesia Church Cluj, have organized a special Christians program with Women's Day occasion at Gherla Prison, Women Department Cluj. The 150 women participating in the program warmly welcomed the message told by brother Avram Florin and sister Dana Tudor and sang with volunteers Christian songs. The atmosphere was a warm and friendly one, woman sharing their emotions and their wish to make this kind of meetings in the future.

At the end of the meeting each participants in the program received a gift contain personal hygiene products, sweets and Christian literature.





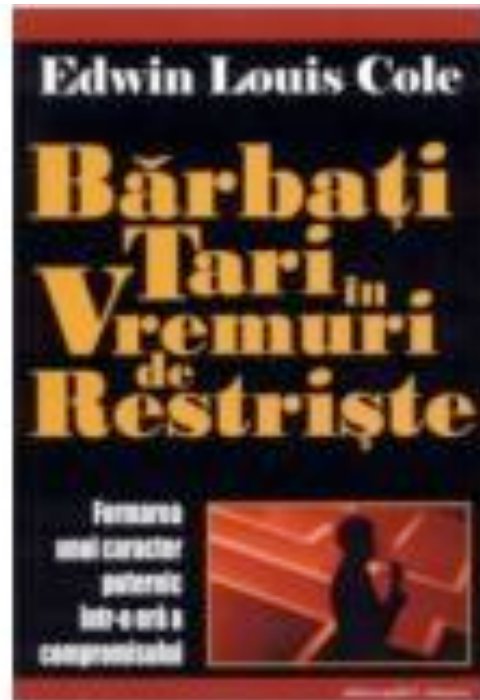
Meeting between youngsters and their mothers with the occasion of 8 March

With 8th March occasion, at the request of Maximum Security Prison Aiud we organized a meeting between young inmates and their mothers and relatives. The meeting included a Christian program lead by foundation's volunteers from Baptist Church no. 1 Manastur, including poems, songs and a word of encouragement spoken by brother Pete Aghiorghiesei and a time when young people were able to talk with family members at a cake and a juice. At the end of the meeting youngster, with our support offered their mothers a gift and a card made by them specially for this event.

The end of the program "Strong Men in Tough Times" in Aiud Prison

In the period October – March 2012 we realised in Aiud Penitentiary, the course "Strong Men in Tough Times". The program was organized by Rescue's volunteer Lawrence Daniel Isaac supported by the Association of Christian Men in Romania.

On 14th of March 2012, at the last meeting from this program, we had realised a celebration meeting for closing of the program, where together with participants have had a a cake and a juice. We gave participants participation diploma, Christian literature, notebooks and pens as a gratitude for their effort to participate at the whole program



Testimony

I am sorry that because of my drinking I got into this suffering

My name is Costel and I was born in January 1963. I got a sentence for 13 years for crime.

I want to tell you that I have received a Bible from you and I want to thank you very much for it and that you are supporting me in this hard part of my life. I am sorry that because of my drinking i got myself into this suffering, but especially that my dear family suffers because of me. I have always been a hardworking person, I was a mechanic and a driver for 17 years, and starting 2000 I was a counselor at the city hall.

My dear Brother, I just want you to know that I truly regret what happened in my life and I pray to God day and night to forgive me and to have me in His arms, me, my wife and my kids.

I want to thank you and wish you health and may God be with you all.

With respect,

Costel, Penitentiary of Arad