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## It Is A Beautiful Thing To Give Thanks!

What a beautiful season of the year. A time to stop and express our attitude of thankfulness to our Lord Jesus and praise our heavenly Father. But, it seems so often we are taken up with the busyness and challenges of life, we don't take time to reflect and whisper, if only for a moment, "Thank you Jesus". And sometimes, the Lord asks us to give thanks for things we don't find easy to say thank you for. It's only because of God's amazing grace, the natural response should always be,

*"In everything give thanks,  
for this is the will  
of God in Christ Jesus".*

It is a good thing to give thanks to the Lord, but as we consider the ministry of Friendship International, we recognize we can do nothing without God, we also need to recognize He uses the feet and hands and resources of His people to accomplish His purpose.

At this time of the year we especially want to express our sincere thanks to our dear friends, who are reading this message, for being the willing hands, for helping lead camps, for doing construction and maintenance at our Camp and Conference facilities, for sending your financial support to fund the entire ministry in several countries of the world, for sacrificing time and energy and for encouraging us to keep going under often overwhelming circumstances.

**Whatever you do, . . . do it all in the  
name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks  
to God the Father through Him.**  
**Colossians 3:17**

## An Attitude Of Gratitude

*This has not been an easy year for our ministry and some of our missionaries.*



If you remember, back in the midst of one of our kids camps in Romania, there was huge rain and wind storm that tore the roof off of our main meeting building. It was a horrifying shock for our campers and the roof needed to be replaced immediately to protect the campers from the ongoing weather. So what did they the campers and staff do? What did we, here in America, do? We prayed and thank the Lord? Yes, the building needed a new roof,

but not one camper or staff member was injured. AND, even though we had used up all the funds available for camps, GOD came through for us, by having friends send donations, without knowing of the immediate need, enough to send from the states to Romania to cover the cost of a new roof and water damage that occurred from the roof being ripped off the building. In the midst of the storm, God provided. Praise and thanksgiving to our Sustainer and our Provider!



And then, I, Del Huff, was given the unexpected news that my prostate cancer had returned. I lived for 8 years after my first bout with cancer, a very active and cancer free life. But then in July the news from my doctors was that it had returned. And for two months in September and October, everyday, I was treated with radiation and required to take a very strong drug to fight the battle against the "Bad Bug". And every treatment I thanked the Lord for His presence and healing power to conquer the battle. On October, 27, I finished my last treatment. My entire cancer team from the hospital helped me celebrate the completion of my treatment by giving me a certificate and wishing me a bright tomorrow. I had the opportunity to share my appreciation for all of their kindness, encouragement and experience to help me fight the battle. But I also had the opportunity to share that above all else, I looked to the Great Physician for His healing touch. May He receive



all praise and thanksgiving for what is happening in my body. I'm not out of the woods yet, I have follow up visits and tests to determine the results of treatment. So, your prayers would be much appreciated. I feel great and look forward, faith believing, that God has much more in store for me.



Good news from Romania and Adi Muscan's health condition. This is what he writes, "About my the healing of my hand, we are moving forward. We are rejoicing in seeing everyday I am able to adjust to the "new" me and learning how to function without two fingers on my right hand. My hand is healing, it's still swollen. My doctors told me that it will take about 6 months until the healing is complete. In about a month I will start the therapy for the finger joints. They are still stiff, and quite painful when I try to move them. But, Praise the Lord! I have to believe that through this accident and the pain I endured as my fingers were cut off, the pain kept

me alert enough that my whole body did not fall on to the saw blade and end my life. Oh, God is so good! And for Tabita, thank the Lord for continued healing, it's a slow process but she is encouraged by less pain and continued strength in her legs. But now, when the weather is so humid and cold, it's sometimes difficult. But she is a fighter, always striving to get better. And thank God for our son, Ruben, what a blessing he has been, when not at school, he is here to attend to all of us, including Tabita's parents. Actually, he seems to be the only normal (healthy) person in the family right now. We can't wait for the day when we will be back to "normal", and be able to serve the Lord and encourage our camper family of children and work with orphans and foster children.

*This Thanksgiving we have so much to thank Him for. Do you?*



# The Year is Not Over! God Continues to Bless Good News From Belize

## UPDATE BELIZE

### CAYO SCHOOL OF MUSIC & ARTS



*"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."* Hebrews 11:1

This verse continues to lead us forward as the winding road takes us along an exciting adventure towards our goal.

I am so thankful for the completion of my radiation treatments. Two week after completion we were on our way to Belize not knowing what to expect about a location to temporarily start the school, and the interest of our instructors, Are parents still interested in sending thier children for lessons, and are adults still interested in classes? Well, the answer was a unanimous, YES!



I first connected with the owner of our house/school, Jacob Janzen, only to discover after 3 months being away, the house was still vacant, but the owner had in the meantime considered moving his family into the house. But this is how God works. . . .

After speaking with him, he admitted that it was still very uncertain as to when they would be moving because his present farm had not sold. After returning back to Colorado, I received a message of



good news from Jacob saying that they had decided to allow us to rent the house for at least 6 months, after which time it would be de-

cided if we can continue to use it for another 6 months. It seems this house is perfect for our beginnings. It has 5 bed rooms, large living room, dining room and two bathrooms. Jacob has suggested in the beginning he is willing to rent the house by the room so we are not paying rent for the entire house. If the Lord blesses and we need more space, we can add rooms. *Please pray with us that the Lord will continue to confirm these plans to start the school the beginning of the year.*



**Meet Our Friends  
from Montana**  
Gala and Kevin Hill  
Mosby, Montana

Our friendship goes back to the time when Kevin was a young boy helping his dad with cattle and sheep on their sprawling remote ranch. We recently had the opportunity to spend time with them during our tour in August with the Hein family. Kevin and Gala, as well as Kevin's parents, have been supportive of our ministry for decades and attended two of our concerts in rural America. After the second concert on a Sunday morning, they came to me and shared how the Lord had spoken to them to be a part in building our new Cayo School of Music and Arts in Belize.

They were especially excited to hear that they could receive a tax deductible receipt for their giving. Their concern was that last year, due to a family inheritance, they had paid a huge amount of taxes to the government. And they understood that it would not only be possible to give a generous amount towards the ministry of the school, but receive a tax deduction on their federal taxes.

*The change breaker for them was when they heard their donation would be matched by a Christian rancher in Colorado. Which meant every dollar they donated would be matched or doubled.*

This opportunity exists only until the end of the year for any of our friends or churches who give towards this project, knowing that each \$100, \$500, \$1,000 or more will be doubled by our rancher friend up to \$60,000.-. There are only 6 weeks for your giving to be doubled. All donations must be dated no later than December, 31, 2025.

As of now, we have been able to raise approximately 2/3 or \$40,000.- of our share of the matching challenge. *But we are still not there yet, the other 1/3 or \$20,000 needs to be raised in the next 6 weeks.*

This is a wonderful opportunity for your giving to make a difference by investing in this project of building a school of music and arts for the purpose of reaching children in the district of Cayo, Belize, through music, art and God's Word.

**Tax deductible receipts are available.**

You may send your checks, marking clearly how you would like it used, to :

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Or go to our website - [friendshipintl.org](http://friendshipintl.org), click on the "Donate" button at the top, after you reach the Give to FI page, select the fund - *Belize School of Music & Arts.*

*Give as unto the Lord.*

## Orphanage Christmas Parties In Romania 2025

This month we celebrate Thanksgiving and . . . "Black Friday", the biggest business day of the year. It's an indicator that Christmas is almost here. But before we spend all of our money on toys, electronics, clothes and other things too many to mention, why not do something for others much less fortunate? Our mission team in Romania is planning to share the Good News story this Christmas and bless orphans and destitute families in Romania.

This will be our sixth annual Orphanage Christmas Party event. It is going to be another wonderful time with the children of fun, games, singing, gift giving and telling the beautiful story of Jesus' birth in several orphanages.

There are two things you can do for this Christmas outreach.

1. Pray for the team as they meet with the children and spend time interacting and helping them understand the true meaning of why we celebrate Christmas.

2. You can help - we expect to have a total of about 75 children at our Christmas parties. Our goal is to raise \$25 for each child. We'll give each one a gift bag with one piece of clothing, a toy, and a bag of candy, as well as a snack after the Gospel presentation. **Would you please consider helping by sending a contribution to purchase the needed gifts and supplies for these parties?**



Donations can be sent to:

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Make check payable to Friendship International with a note - **Orphanage Christmas Project**

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