

ROAD TO ROMANIA



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Welcome!

To those of you receiving our newsletter for the first time, WELCOME! Thank you for being a part of our sending team. We couldn't answer God's call to Romania without all of you behind us.

Where God Is Already Working

A few years ago I (Scott) completed Henry Blackaby's *Experiencing God* workbook. One of the key principles of Blackaby's approach to finding and doing God's will is that we need to "find where God is

"Spare" Time

In order to get to know us better, I (Paula) thought you might be interested in knowing what we are doing in our "spare" time these days. I am finishing up reading a book entitled, "Fall of the Tyrant", historical fiction written about the days just prior to the revolution in Romania in 1989. I am also trying to get the laundry caught-up before our next trip to New Missionary Training for the next two weeks as well as work on the many details that must happen before we leave for Romania. Scott just finished a book entitled, "The Hole in the Flag", also about the revolution in Romania. He is also continuing to mentor both new pastors here at LifeNet (our home church) and work on those same details as I am. Stephen is very interested in a new project of his own; building an electric guitar

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by hand and hanging out with friends. Lydia is spending her time with her friends doing the things teenage girls do. ☺ Please pray that our days at home will be refreshing and rejuvenating.

Odds and Ends

- ✓ **Missions giving made easier** – Automatic checking account deductions (EFT) or credit card charges for monthly/quarterly/annual gift commitments are now available. Contact us for details if you'd like to automate your missions giving.
- ✓ **"Road to Romania" on the web** – This and previous newsletters are available on the web: www.fmwm.org/missionary/index/dunn.php.
- ✓ **Timelines** – In order to keep you informed...one-time financial gifts need to be given by December 1, 2005. Monthly or annual gifts can begin any time. Any gift made by December 1st will count toward start-up costs. Thanks for your partnership!

Progress

We're seeing steady progress in seeing our sending team (THAT'S YOU!) come together. Here's where we stand:

1. **Prayer Partners** – We need 300 committed prayer partners before we go to Romania. Currently we have 229 individuals committed!

2. **One-time Financial Partners** – We need to raise \$52,866 in "start-up funds" prior to moving to Romania. These funds cover things like our deputation salary (June-Dec, 2005) household set-up costs (appliances, dishes, shipping our stuff, etc.), purchasing a car and computer equipment on the field, airfare to get there, and travel costs to the various churches we will be visiting over the next few months. So far we have \$28,749 in gifts and

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commitments (over halfway!). This entire budget must be raised “in cash” before we can leave for the field.

3. On-going Financial Partners – Beginning January 1, 2006, we will need \$80,000 *annually* for things like salary, insurance, pension, kids educational costs, housing, and on-going field ministry expenses. So far we have just over \$28,665 committed from churches and individuals for our on-going support. The \$80,000 must be raised in “commitments” before we can leave for the field.

Thanks for your partnership in this adventure.

Sincerely,

Scott and Paula Dunn ❖

PRAYER CALENDAR

JULY 17 – SPEAK AT CALDWELL FMC, CALDWELL, OH

JULY 18 – SPEAK AT VBS, UNITED CHURCH OF SOUTH VIENNA

JULY 21 – CORNERSTONE FMC LEADERSHIP MEETING, AKRON, OH

JULY 24 – SPEAK AT HOLLAND FMC, TOLEDO, OH

JULY 25 – AUGUST 5 – NEW MISSIONARY TRAINING IN INDIANA

AUGUST 7 – LIVING WATER FMC, DALTON, OH

AUGUST 14 – SPEAK AT CEDARVILLE CHURCH OF GOD, CEDARVILLE, OH

AUGUST 21 – SPEAK AT TYNDALE UMC, COSHOCTON, OH

OTHER PRAYER NEEDS

- ❖ SAFETY IN TRAVEL
- ❖ RESPONSIVE PEOPLE AND CHURCHES
- ❖ PHYSICAL STRENGTH AND SPIRITUAL STAMINA
- ❖ 2-3 ADDITIONAL CHURCHES WHO WOULD CHOOSE TO BECOME MAJOR PARTNERS WITH US AND THE MISSION IN ROMANIA

RESPONSE CHECKLIST

- Partner in Ministry forms are available in electronic (MS Word) format. Contact us if you or someone you know would like to sign up as a partner with us.
- Contact information:
 - Phone: 614-771-0438
 - Email: skipee85@safe-t.net (Scott) or frankie85@safe-t.net (Paula)
 - Regular mail: The Dunns, 5950 Galleon Court, Hilliard, OH 43026
- Mail financial gifts to:
 - Free Methodist World Missions
 - PO Box 535002
 - Indianapolis, IN 46253
 - OR Your local Free Methodist church
 - OR The Dunns (address above, check payable to FMWM)
- Memo line marked “Dunns start-up costs”