

Turning the hopeless into givers of hope



# Teen Challenge Romania

January – March 2009



## Latest news from the Center

*Dear friends, we want to fill you in with what happened in the last three months at Romania Teen Challenge. It is also your giving and prayers that directly affects the growing of this ministry. The Lord is blessing it! Thank you! We are praying for you asking the Lord to richly bless you in all areas of your life!*

*In times like these, when many companies and ministries are closing down, we clearly see the miracles of the Lord in our lives and in this ministry.*

- We now have **18 guys in the program**. A year ago that would seem impossible. In the last months we received new guys at the Center. It is a result of our Outreaches in the Detox Centers, the Media attention and the mouth to mouth rumor about guys who change their lives at Teen Challenge Romania. We continue to be the only residential Center in and around Bucharest, where there are an estimated 100,000 drug addicts.



- Our **waiting list continues to grow** like never before. This brings an extra motivation to the guys in the Center as they realized how blessed they are to be in, when others are



waiting months before their chance. It brings also sadness when we have to say 'we can't take you in right now' to guys in desperate situations.

- **We are adding one more floor**. Because of the limited space at the Center we decided to add one more floor. We are now dealing with the architectural plans and the permits but at the end of April we will start the work. We have a construction team coming and they will bring the funds to wood frame the floor and replace the roof.



- We started to **build a green house**. That will bring income, provide vegetables for the Center and will teach the guys to work hard and develop new skills. This is a praise report - the Lord has already provided most of the needed funds! We now need to learn how to grow vegetables!



- Another project we have planned this spring is the **construction of a small soccer field**. That would be a winner for the guys!

## Prayer and Praise Reports

- **An urgent need is the need of a 9 passenger Van**. We have a 9 passenger Van and borrowed a 7 passenger Van but that only covers for 16. Some of us need to stay behind, but because we can't afford 2 staff on duty every day, we can only find poor solutions. We appreciate your prayer and help in this matter too.
- The fruits of the ministry are so encouraging. The lives that are being changed by Jesus, the atmosphere in which they grow in Him are a real encouragement for all of us. Our team has been dedicating all their lives. Personally, I am worried about the huge quantity of work we now have for the same number of staff. Our team is stretched at maximum, as the quantity of work as well as the number of students has been growing.

We need your prayers and we need your monthly support to help us add **one more full time person on the team**.

**We want to thank you for helping to make this possible. We are so thankful for your love, prayers and faithful financial gifts which allow us to minister to the hopeless here in Romania!**

**Catalin and Oltita Baci**

**In the behalf of Teen Challenge Romania Team**

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