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Gleanings for the Hungry

A Ministry of Youth With A Mission

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DTS 2020

Meet the students and staff of **Gleanings'** Discipleship Training School (DTS) for 2020. The DTS is a **Youth With A Mission** training program that teaches principles for Christian ministry and provides practical application in ministry. Twelve weeks of classroom training began the first week of January, and will be followed by two months of missions ministry in Peru and Columbia.



Moving On

His time serving at **Gleanings** went by quickly, but the impact he made while he was here was huge. Isiah Shour managed the warehouse, keeping detailed records of the inventory coming in and going out, and organizing the warehouse and cold storage.

Isiah's influence on our community extended beyond his work duties. When he shared in chapel it was always meaningful and heart-felt. His heart to serve and a desire for excellence continuously inspired us to do our best.

We are thankful for Isiah, and we miss him. We wish him fulfillment and joy in his next season of life.

Welcome Daniel

Meet Daniel Davenport. Dan is the fourth oldest in a family with thirteen kids in his home in Oregon. Daniel served as a volunteer with his family for ten years, including serving as summer staff. It was while serving on summer staff leadership, he said yes to God's call to join Gleanings.

He attended a **YWAM** Discipleship Training School in Amsterdam in 2018, with outreach in Mongolia, Kyrgyzstan, and Israel. Dan moved here to join us on full-time staff in December 2019.

Daniel is serving as a DTS staff, as well as helping in the warehouse. "I hope to continue to learn and grow in discipleship—being a disciple myself but also teaching and pointing others to God," Dan said.



Surely you have granted him unending blessings and made him glad with the joy of your presence. Psalm 21:6

Country Report: Moldova

Our partner organization **Mission Without Borders** is a Christian parachurch organization serving children, families, and elderly people suffering due to poverty and oppression. Their work is currently focused on six Eastern European countries: Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Romania, Ukraine, and Moldova.

Loren Pine, who serves as a director at **Mission Without Borders**, recently sent us an update on how the **Gleanings** soup mix is making a difference in Moldova: “Tatiana is the mother of four children: Valeria (9), Gabriel (7), Olga (6), and Cristina (2). The children’s father died after a road accident. Tatiana remarried, but her second husband left her and the children. As a child, Tatiana grew up in a boarding school, which means her parents could not care for her. It was during this time in her life that she became connected with **Mission Without Borders**.



Poor even by Moldovan standards, Tatiana’s family lives in a rented home in the village of Bravicea. They receive essential food and clothing as well as house repairs from the mission and local church. It is a tremendous assistance to them; without it, there would be too little food for their family to survive. The soup mix helps feed them.

The family is part of the Family-to-Family Program (F2F) that **Mission Without Borders Moldova** runs. The program provides essentials for the families in need, such as food, clothing, Bibles and related studies, spiritual counsel, vocational training, and more. Food parcels they receive are of great help for them. The family is very thankful for the dry soup they received. The children enjoyed it a lot. The mother has expressed her gratitude for the support” Pine writes.

God bless each of the staff, volunteers, donors, supporters, and other friends of **Gleanings** who make these donations possible. Your gifts of time and money are making an impact in the country of Moldova. Praise God for every grain of food. Praise God for every hand that shared it. Praise God for all his blessings!



Director’s Corner

Some of our weekly teams come equipped with T-shirts they design for their group. The message of the shirt often reflects the mission statement for their trip. Some shirts are fancy, and some are plain. If they have extras, the team leaders often gift us with one of their T-shirts. One of these shirts I have in my closet has bold letters on the front. It says, “GLEANINGS IS FOR LOVERS”. The leader from Burbank who came up with the saying understood that we value people here. Our hard work and dedication are a gift of love we give freely. The love of God compels us to love people who are hungry. Our warehouse is full of ingredients to make soup mix that will be given free of charge to the needy, as a gift of love from God and from the lovers at Gleanings!

Be a lover with us; join us sometime this year.
May the Lord bless you,

Fritz Meier

