

Andreasens in Romania: June/July 2026 Newsletter

Dear Friends in Christ,

We thank you for your prayers as we do the work of the Lord in Romania and the Balkans.

The past few months have been incredibly full! From sanctuary dedications and regular missionary travel to Family Respite to the US and soon travel to Finland for conferences and regional retreat we have been on the run! It has been difficult to be away from home in Brasov, but we also take heart that the people of God are indeed “exiles” in this world and our true home is in the eternal kingdom of God.

We pray that your summer is filled with not only rest, but also growth in Christ and the joy of His Work for you, for you neighbors and around the world!

Thank you again for your prayers and partnership in the Gospel.

In Christ,

Rev. Jordon and Alison Andreasen



SERVING THE LORD IN ROMANIA and the BALKANS

NEWS FROM THE ANDREASEN FAMILY



June/July 2026

A New Sanctuary



Dedication of the new facility in Bucharest.

Back in June a new development at St. Paul Lutheran in Bucharest took shape. The Deacon and saints at St. Paul were able to find a location which affordably allows them their own space to gather for worship, study and fellowship.

Deacon Clucer, his wife and family put in a lot of work and effort to prepare this space. It needed demolition, remodeling and restoration of the space. It now serves as a wonderful location to gather around Word and Sacrament.

On the day of the dedication we also celebrated two confirmations of young people in the congregation. We pray that this is just a beginning to the gathering of people around the truth of Christ in Bucharest.

Removing a false ceiling revealed a beautiful, old, wooden ceiling.



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Supporting Emerging and Developing Churches



Pastor Burtsev with an elderly pastor and seminary student in Kazakhstan.



Pastors of the Romanian Church

The work I have been blessed to share in and learn about while serving in Eurasia is incredible. The Lord is so faithful to raise up pastors and people to serve His church and make known the work of Jesus in all the world. But my family and I are not the fullness of this work. There are numerous emerging and developing Lutheran Churches.

In an effort to connect Lutherans together from around the world, the LCMS has adopted a FORO (Spanish for "forum") model to connect the LCMS more directly with our various mission efforts.

This model connects individuals, families, congregations and even districts directly to the work taking place around the world. involvement can be simply to learn more and pray for the work, but it can also include traveling to learn, see, and experience the mission efforts around the world by taking part in the actual "FORO" meeting and so making a more direct connection with the work. It can become part of your mission! In my area of Eurasia this will include: Romania, Israel and Kazakhstan.

In the next year we are planning to start FOROs for these three areas. I ask that you pray for the development of these FOROs and the partnerships that will form by God's grace for the growth of the kingdom of God.

You have read about these places in my newsletters. Now I ask you to prayerfully consider your own interest in being involved in the FOROs or help by sharing the opportunities with others who may be interested. We are excited to see not only how the Lord connects Lutherans together, but how those connections are used to share Christ around the World.

If you would like more information you can contact me or send an interest email to the following email addresses:

Romania: foro-romania@lcms.org

Israel: foro-israel@lcms.org

Kazakhstan: foro-kazakhstan@lcms.org

Thank you for your prayers and support!
-Rev. Jordon Andreassen



The Lutheran Church in Tel Aviv, Israel

Family Updates



Milestones Achieved!

We are so proud of these kids! They have embraced Romanian culture but they still feel it is important to maintain the milestones that they would have if they lived in the States, so while in South Dakota, Benjamin finished and passed Hunter's Safety and Bethany passed her written driver's test to get her Driver's Permit!

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Safe travels on our upcoming trip to Finland to attend The Corpus Christi Conference and the Eurasia Regional Missionary's retreat.
- The school year to start well in August
- And for the faith of Several International students who are attending St. Mary's in Braşov that they would continue to learn Romanian and continue to be fed by the true Christian faith.

WE GIVE THANKS FOR:

- A wonderful trip to America visiting with family and friends.
- Congregations who remember us in prayer and think of our children often.
- The Lord keeping the people of Brasov safe during recent flooding.



There are many opportunities to serve as short-term or GEO missionaries. Check out the current list and download an application at lcms.org/service. Click on "Service Opportunities."



In lieu of what would normally have been our home service year, our family was granted a respite period during which we were allowed and encouraged to reconnect with family for a few weeks.

We first went to St. Louis where we met with missionary friends, friends at the Seminary who are there as students and professors, as well as attended a missionary reconnect day with the Office of International Mission. We then went to Texas where we spent time with Alison's family. South Dakota was next where we visited with friends in several different towns and with Jordon's side of the family. We also left a few little surprise ducks hidden in grandparents' houses when we left...just so they knew how much we loved them. Thank you to the numerous friends and family who opened your homes to us and fed us. It was a wonderful time to soak up all the things we love about America and to be refreshed and rejuvenated to serve the Lord in Romania.



Siblings are a gift from the Lord! We were able to see some of our siblings on this trip as well as some missionary friends who dressed similarly for our reconnect day including matching mens' haircuts.

Prayerfully consider partnering with the LCMS to support the work of Rev. Jordon Andreasen. Make checks payable to:

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