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Maximovca (our house is beyond the hill)

Another morning

Most of my time (besides my quiet time during the morning) is spent thinking about what needs to be done next, who I need to respond to and how to organize my day.

Yet there are two things that are easy to forget: firstly, that waking up each morning is a gift that depends on God's sustaining power; and secondly, that I am also sustained in life by your giving and prayers.

Reading C.S. Lewis in *The Four Loves*, he says, "God, as it seems to me, bestows two other gifts; a supernatural Need-love of Himself and a supernatural Need-love of each other." In short, we are weak and needy, and must receive from both God and others things that we do not merit. I do wonder sometimes if I really should be here, hanging my laundry and fixing my car between runs to Chisinau and working in the dirt and telling people what is wrong with their cucumbers. Many times I don't use my time as effectively as I could have.

I am challenged, as I meditate on God's love for me and for others, that

I really don't deserve it (I know, you all probably realized that in your 20's...). That God created me to Need Him, and to love Him because my Needs are met by Him. To see Him as the source of life when I wake up, for strength to hang the laundry, for wisdom to advise on sick cucumbers—I am meant to continually depend on Him.

Please pray that we, as Ag Connect, will depend more and more on God. It is easy to think we can figure things out (OK, maybe just I think that). Pray that I can see God showing up in my Needy places and see more and more that all of life is process of seeing our Need of Him.

Pray for the farmers that we will be meeting with as Les visits (May 24-June 9). That we can encourage them to seek God as their source more than looking to money or influence. For the UDG students, that they would see that God as their treasure, not a good job or possessions or a good marriage.

Pray that our joy would grow as we wait with our Needs, trusting God to fill us with His supply.

Praises:

- Finished a segment of filming on soil fertility!
- Some solid Christian friends
- Energy for each day, that God meets me

Prayer Requests:

- Visits with Les and Stas—to be of service to farmers and students
- For wisdom about the greenhouse enterprise for next year.
- To know my neediness, to wait, trust and see God's provision.



American missionaries in Moldova visit the Ag House

Bringing home the wood

Two brave UDG students visiting a chicken farm