

# Angela Zimmerman



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## February flies by

It must have, because I now find myself writing on March 1<sup>st</sup>, even having had a Feb 29<sup>th</sup>!

I am sitting at the kitchen table in Maximovca, homemade noodles (not by me) cooling in chicken broth on the stove and 6 flats of seeded vegetables behind the screen of my computer. Germinating temps for tomatoes and peppers should be 80-85°F, and I have been struggling to get temperatures that high, even with heat mats under the flats. I keep asking God for mercy!

Herb, our new Director, visited during the first two weeks of Feb. He hadn't been to Moldova in 10 yrs., and saw a lot of changes—although he said that the roads are about as bad as they were a decade ago. We visited around half of the projects and people with whom we work (he'll have to come back again), but it was enough to start some discussion about our next steps.

Things have also begun to move on the construction front—the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor is getting ready for painting and the veg plot is getting electric hooked up. Masonry is finished on the seedling greenhouse, and a water cistern will

be installed by crane this Monday. Next will be to get the arcs welded and cover the seedling greenhouse before any deluge of rain begins.

While Herb was here, we visited the Ag College and saw their small dairy operation. Unfortunately it is poorly managed, and there may be an opportunity to partner with the College to supply a farm manager. There is also a need for training dairy cow breeders, and we are looking into the possibility of doing training for farmers or veterinarians. As we build relationships with farmers and ag professionals, there are opportunities to share the Gospel. Growing tomatoes for the UDG students or talking to a Moldovan dairy nutritionist about his beliefs about God are how the work here blends practical and spiritual life 😊

If you would like to know more about Ag Connect, join us for the annual banquet, March 22, 5:45pm at Shady Maple Smorgasbord! You can register to attend, at the latest by March 6<sup>th</sup>, by emailing [agconnectfundraising@gmail.com](mailto:agconnectfundraising@gmail.com)

## Praises:

- God continues to lead and supply for us
- Good weather for outdoor construction
- Opportunities to serve and reach out

## Prayer Requests:

- To see and use opportunities to share the Gospel.
- Wisdom for prioritizing amidst many tasks
- To seek God's presence and will above all else
- A well-built house and greenhouse.
- A strong, humble team

Meeting with Timofei, director of Iabloana Home for the Elderly



Masonry finished!  
Now to install arcs.



Cub hopes the electricians will notice her patience and share their lunch.

