

# Angela Zimmerman



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## Steady On

When I was a kid, my parents listened to a lot of that 70's and 80's Christian music—Sandi Patty, Scott Wesley Brown, Steve and Annie Chapman—and I remember one of the songs that Dad liked was called “Sail On” by the Imperials. Basically, the message was that we need to persevere in our faith and follow Jesus throughout life.

Lately, that message has seemed just about right. The tomato plants are tired, I am tired, the to-do list has 59 items on it (I made a spreadsheet) and thankfully there is evening and morning because it gives me an excuse to go get some rest and try again another day.

The house is still under construction, and though I am thankful to have a place to stay, I look forward to unpacking all the boxes and finding everything I have “lost” in the past six months.

We purchased another piece of land directly behind the house, bringing the whole lot to around ½ ac. In the fall, I'd like to move my greenhouse out back to the new plot, plus build a small seedling greenhouse.

While Les visited in July, we considered our next steps in developing the farm and our existing projects. We have given funds to a farmer for 3 cows (pregnant with 3 heifer calves), to 2 organizations housing and feeding refugees, to one pastor delivering food into Ukraine and to an elderly home up north that we've supported through fertilizer and seed funds for some land they farm.

We keep doing all the things we've been doing—preparing for UDG student training, relating to farmers, and building the Model Farm. Slowly but surely. We have many requests for funding ag projects, both in Moldova and Central Asia—but we are trying to keep our priority on education, not financing.

We keep praying for more staff—ag professionals or farmers who want to get their boots on the ground. I need some help (ok, lots 😊)

God is in control. We work and wait for His provision, direction and strength. Twenty-four hours is plenty enough for each day; He is faithful for each of them.

## Praises!

- I am able to sell all my tomatoes locally, not having to go to the wholesale mkt.
- The house is getting closer to liveable!
- Seeing youth from Vad continuing to grow in their walk with Jesus.
- Good discussions while Les was here.

## Prayer Requests!

- Workers for the field
- Communication and team growth between Aia, Stas, Les and I.
- A better life-work rhythm
- To know and enjoy Jesus more deeply!



The new piece of land we purchased  
(and the cow manure I am spreading :)



Thomas, future Mouse-Catcher



Boris the farmer shows us his inventive method of ensiling feed in bags