

Good Morning from Chisinau,

It's been a relaxing morning back in Chisinau after a long, hot trip to the south. Angela, Stas and I returned last evening and are enjoying a cool, cloudy day. Temps haven't reached 70 degrees yet this afternoon and are expected to be in the low 60's tonight.

While it was a very good and productive trip, it wasn't particularly pleasant. Temps were in the mid to upper 90's and didn't cool off too much overnight. Stas and I stayed in the house of good friends who recently moved to US while Angela stayed at her place a couple of blocks away.

We visited several of the small dairy farmers we are working with as well as some others. Of course each place we needed to go into the 90+ degree kitchen and have hot tea, rather than sitting around outside in the shade. But we did enjoy our chance to reconnect with many people.

Tomorrow we go back for a second visit with Igor and Vera to discuss possible ways to help them improve and enlarge their operation. Friday we looked at a possible place to move in the neighboring village where they have been working to hopefully start a new church. Pray for them as they are searching for ways to be able to move and enlarge their dairy operation.

On Friday we are off on another road trip - spending a couple days at Dancu, meeting up with another US group that has been working with them and is there this week doing a camp for children. Then we will meet up with Tobias Webber and his family Sunday evening for supper and visit his small dairy farm on Monday before heading to Iablona to visit the farm and Old People's home. Plans are to have supper with Nicolae, the man who manages the farm.

Tuesday we will visit Alexei at Bulboci to see how things are going there. Angela and I met with Alexei in Chisinau yesterday when we returned, but we want to see what improvements have been made, talk about plans for the coming years. We will return to Chisinau Tuesday night and spend the last days of the trip evaluating all that is happening, and making sure that I get the proper COVID test for my return.

While the trip is only half over it seems as if our minds are overflowing, but we are encouraged by the good growing season, progress that we have observed, and opportunities to increase and improve our work here.

I will try to connect again before we head to Dancu on Friday, and will probably be able to stay connected while in Dancu.

Keep us in your prayers as we continue visiting and sharing God's love in all that we do.

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