

MUSTARD SEED JERSEY PRAYER UPDATE July 26th for August 2017

First of all we **GIVE THANKS** that we have found suitable premises here in Jersey for the Christmas shoebox appeal for 2017.

We give thanks for the generosity of people. Looking backwards we thank God for the premises we had at Portelet for 13 years, and for this year we thank God for the National Trust of Jersey and their willingness to offer us the old Les Freres Chapel as a packing place for this year's appeal. We pray for God's blessing on all those who help us.

ROMANIA PRAYER POINTERS:

KATHY LANGSTON family & outreaches:

FAMILY: Today (July 26th) Kathy and her adopted daughter CODI and ANDREEA leave (or by the time you view this have left) Romania to move to CANADA. Pray they will all settle in well to their new home. Pray that they will be a real blessing to Kathy's elderly PARENTS – the health of her parents was a real consideration in the timing of their move.

OUTREACHES: Pray all the outreaches Kathy has built up over the years will continue to flourish under Romanian leadership, thinking especially MIRELLA, CAMI and ONACA. Pray God grants continuing success to Kathy's fundraising to support the work.

Thinking of Kathy leaving Romania is a good reminder to pray for KEN & FLORENCE of VINEYARD, now living in Durham, due to visit in Romania in October.

MUSTARD SEED ROMANIA (MSR):

We give thanks that every one of the residents at Casa Mabel has been placed in new good accommodation, without undue distress.

We continue to pray for VIOLETA as she completes all the vast amount of needed paperwork to do with the closure of the home.

We pray for ALEX and SERGIO as they work to change the Casa Mabel site to become a holiday camp. (For years Romanian social workers have told me how beneficial a holiday camp is for the neediest and most deprived). The expectation is that while the bulk of the clients would be fee paying they would ensure an agreed number / percentage are free of charge or substantially reduced to benefit those in need. They hope to be ready to receive their first clients in September. We pray God will bless this venture and use it as a means of blessing.

ADPB:

We learnt that a number of residents at Casa Mabel have moved to ADPB which is a residential unit suitable for those needing a more secure environment. Please pray God's blessing on those previously at Casa Mabel, now there, and on all the residents of ADPB.

JERSEY PRAYER POINTERS:

We continue to pray for our need for 2 new trustees for Mustard Seed Jersey needed late in 2017 / early 2018.

Several of our volunteers are getting older and are not in as good health as previously. Please remember them in your prayers – many work quietly in the background

As a result we will need more volunteers to help with the Christmas shoebox collections and sourcing flat pack boxes for packing. We pray the right people will offer.

In his letter to the Thessalonians, St Paul encouraged us to pray without ceasing and to pray with thanksgiving. Please can I encourage you to pray for us in Mustard Seed, both for volunteers and logistics in Jersey and the beneficiaries in Romania.

Rose