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The aid was unloaded on May 30th 2013 in Cefa, Romania.

In the picture you see chairs from Philadelphie Chapel Jersey being unloaded, they are now in use at the El Sadai trust in the city of Oradea, Romania. El Sadia offer support to young adult orphans.

Our first trip of the year proved a nightmare as the vehicle was involved in an accident. The passenger driver was in hospital in France for 2 days, but we thank God he has made a full recovery. It was the first accident we have had in close on 100 aid trips.

Amazingly Garage Sarl Godard are willing to continue to assist us with use of a tractor unit free of charge, this makes a huge difference to us.



If ever we had needed proof about how incredibly highly the food parcels are valued we had it on May 30th. The pensioners from our Adopt a Granny programme turned out in the most appalling weather to collect their food parcels rather than leave them till the following day, as we had suggested. None wore waterproof clothing or footwear and the water was ankle deep on the poorly drained roads, so they were soaked.

The food parcels contained basic food stuffs including oil, sugar, flour, rice, several different sorts of pasta, margarine, seasoning and a small tin of pate.

The pensioners value these food parcels very highly.





At Cefa: from left to right: Casa Aura at present used for vulnerable young women, admin and staff accommodation Casa Mabel, our home for vulnerable female pensioners, on the right.



Visiting a needy house-bound pensioner in Oradea.



Agape Trust: learning new skills making craft items to sell.



At Cefa: building project across the road from Casa Mabel. This is Casa Carol-Ann to be a home for vulnerable young women. There is still work to be done to finish this house.



Another building project, a village community hall in Pagaia. In January we appealed for funds when Alex Stroie visited Jersey. Thanks to Jersey people's generosity we have provided funds for the plans, foundations, heating, plumbing and electric systems, also doors & windows.

2 families from USA have contributed to fund the materials for the walls and roof.

We still have a small way to go to complete the fund-raising.

WAYS TO SUPPORT MUSTARD SEED JERSEY

PACK A CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX and promote the idea at your place of work. We pack shoeboxes for children, pensioners and the repatriated victims of people trafficking.

[Last year we sent 1850 shoeboxes for children, over 550 shoeboxes for pensioners, and 450 for repatriated victims of people trafficking and other vulnerable young people. It would be truly wonderful if in spite of the recession we could send over a similar number (or even more!) this year].

SPONSOR a pensioner through our **Adopt a Granny** scheme **SPONSOR** a needy child or family

Remember Mustard Seed Jersey in your **PRAYERS**

SUGGEST MUSTARD SEED as a beneficiary for dress down days or other fundraisers.

If you shop at the CoOp use our divvy number **321340**Put your loose change in a **COLLECTING BOX** for Mustard Seed

Organise a **FUND-RAISING EVENT** (please contact Rose before).

DONATE your surplus good quality clean clothing, bedding, footwear, toiletries, stationery, medical apparatus, educational equipment, hygiene items, bicycles, household items, etc.

SUPPORT our aid collections

Check the answer phone on 482637 for details of our collections

CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING to help pack, collect, etc

Keep up to date

through our website <u>www.mustardseedjersey.co.uk</u> through Facebook <u>www.facebook.com/mustardseedjsy</u>

SO MANY THANKS to all who support in any & every way: practically, prayerfully, financially

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