

Newsletter from *Elim Church*

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Greetings from Elim Church in the Village of Ursoaia!

Another three months have passed, and we thank God for keeping us in peace and for all the blessings we continue to experience. Below are some of the recent events that have taken place in our church:

The Blessing of Little Martin

We had the joy of blessing baby Martin, the son of Mihaela and Alex Saghin. Two years ago, they celebrated their wedding and received their marriage blessing in our church. They traveled all the way from Belgium specifically for this special occasion. It is always heartwarming to see that many people feel at home in Elim Church. When they come from abroad for vacations, they often choose to visit us. Nearly every Sunday, we welcome new visitors to our congregation.



Weekly Women's Prayer and Fellowship Meetings



Every Friday evening, the women of our church gather for prayer and discussions. We are encouraged by their dedication and their desire to spend time together in fellowship during the week. These women are deeply loved and respected in our church.

Day Centre Activities for Children

Twice a week, children gather at our day centre, where the women of the church take turns preparing meals. Sister Ina (the pastor's wife) leads the Bible lessons for the children. One of the most touching stories is about a young woman who, as a child, attended the day centre. Now, at twenty years old, she regularly attends Sunday services and has offered to help with children's activities at the centre. We are grateful for her willingness to serve and for her exemplary character. The number of children attending varies between forty-five and sixty, depending on the season and weather conditions.





A Journey of Faith

A woman from our church has been attending Sunday services for about a year. She is the mother of a young woman who leads worship in our church. She has many questions about faith and comes faithfully every Sunday with her daughter-in-law and grandchildren. This spring, she is considering taking the step of baptism.

Mother's Day Celebration

The Mother's Day event was a beautiful and joyful occasion. On Saturday, the 8th of March, we all came together to celebrate this special day. As a gift, each woman received a beautifully decorated handmade candle. Antonia Hiorescu, the pastor's daughter, has started a business creating handmade candles and gypsum-based decorations. She decided that a small gift for the women of the church would be a wonderful gesture of appreciation.

We continue to see God's hand at work in our church, and we are thankful for every person who walks through our doors. May He continue to bless and guide us all!

Prayer requests:

- For families and children – Pray for little Martin and his parents, Mihaela and Alex, as they raise him in faith. May God bless their family and guide them in His ways. Pray also for all the families who visit Elim Church, that they may find spiritual nourishment and a strong community.
- For the Women's Fellowship – Pray for the women of the church who gather for prayer and discussions every Friday. May God strengthen their faith, deepen their relationships, and use them as a source of encouragement for others.
- For the Day Centre and Children's Ministry – Pray for the children who attend the day centre, that they may grow in knowledge and love of God. Ask for strength and wisdom for Sister Ina and the women who serve in this ministry. Pray especially for the young woman who has returned to help, that she may continue to be a light and an example to the children.
- For those seeking faith – Pray for the woman who has been attending church for a year and is considering baptism. May God guide her heart, answer her questions, and lead her into a deep and personal relationship with Him.
- For the Church Community – Pray for Elim Church, that it may continue to be a welcoming and spiritually enriching place for both members and visitors. Ask for God's guidance and protection over all those who come to worship and serve.
- Pray for all the mothers and women in the church that God may bless them with strength, wisdom, and joy. May they always feel valued and encouraged in their faith. Also, pray for Antonia's new business, that it may prosper and be a source of blessing to others.

With love,

Elim Church