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Newsletter from *Andrei Ghidion*

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The Ordination of Ghenadie Şendrea as a Pastor

On the 26th of November 2023, a significant event took place at our church, the ordination of Ghenadie Şendrea, as a youth pastor. The ceremony was officiated by a group of pastors from the Southern region of the country. It was made of prayers, songs and blessings. Ghenadie Şendrea has finished the Theological University in Chisinau and its involved in the church in youth and children's ministries since 2017. He also organises the camp for children and young people. In 2023, he was elected as the director of the Bible School of the Sothern community. The event was concluded with a nice meal.



Winter Camp for Children

Between the 3rd - 6th of January 2024, a winter camp for children was organised. Our purpose was to offer them an educational and recreational experience in a festive winter atmosphere. The camp offered a pleasant atmosphere for children through games, crafts, Bible lessons, music, plays and competitions. The children had the opportunity to develop their social abilities, to hear about God and to enjoy their friends company. The event was a success. You can see more information about this camp on our Facebook page - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/379758130729589>



The Baptism

On the 17th March 2024, we had our first spring baptism ever. During this celebration four people got baptised and became church members. It was an event full of joy and beautiful emotions, marked by the testimonies of faith of those who got baptised and encouragements from family and friends. The ceremony led by the newly ordained pastor - Ghenadie Şendrea underlying the importance this step has in the Christian life and the personal dedication towards spiritual values.

One of those who got baptised is the woman who has lived next to the church building for a year and followed the life of the believers. When she got through a great trial in her life, she came to the Lord and then decided to make this covenant.



Outreach Event

The following day of the Easter Celebration, on the 6th of May 2024, we organised an outreach event at the House of Culture. Our main goal was to tell the local people the message of the Resurrection. This is why the Church made invitations, arranged chairs and invited the instrumental orchestra from village Crihana Veche, district Cahul. They had a few songs about resurrection. The main message of the day was preached by Ion Groza, the pastor of the church where the orchestra is from, and who is also a deputy in the Parliament of Republic of Moldova. Pastor Andrei Ghidion led this meeting and had the opening message. He also thanked everyone present and the local church members who were actively involved, offering support and answering the questions of those who came for this event. The outreach event was well received and about 80 people came to see it. It was live streamed and this has awakened the local community's interest.



Prayer Requests

1. For our church - to be more active and more involved in evangelising the local people.
2. For the people who've heard the gospel on the 6th of May, that the Lord would search their hearts and bring them to repentance.
3. For the evangelism through football. It's a new ministry we've started in village Burlacu, but we're thinking of expanding it to the neighbouring villages, teenagers are very interested in this sport. This is a wonderful reason to reach people with the gospel through this sport. There are four young men from our church who are involved with this ministry. Please, pray for them, for the gatherings they have with teenagers through football.
4. Due to the fact that the church's ministry has started to expand, we need to finish the attic of the Day Care Centre where we plan to have different gatherings for Bible study. Please, pray for the financial needs we have.
5. I asked you to pray for my father who had a stroke. The rehabilitation is very difficult, he still can't use his right hand, he walks with difficulty, he needs permanent special care. We must buy medication, nappies, special food for him all the time because he has a problem with sugar in his blood. Please, continue to support him in your prayers.
6. Please, pray for me and my family!