

# Transformed lives



*"I took my cigarettes pack and went out as usual to smoke. Just a day before, I prayed to receive Jesus in my heart. I realized I am facing a decision. I prayed and the next step was to give up smoking. Now I keep seeing His wonders in my life. All I want to do is to tell all my friends, my family and everyone I meet: "if Jesus has done this for me, He can do it for you too."*

**Diana**

*" This camp was the greatest experience with a group of people in my entire life. I have learned many things, but mostly I learned about God and this was extraordinary, because I was turning away from Him. I thought I was close, but I was very far away from Him and if, before, I didn't have the courage to talk about Him, now, I can't wait to go and share all I have learned with all around me. My greatest gain this camp was that I have received God in my life and I have the power to fight to keep Him always."*

**Valentina**

*"From now on I hope to be able to wake up every morning a little earlier... to meditate maybe more at what God wants to do with my life and at what I am reading from the Bible".*

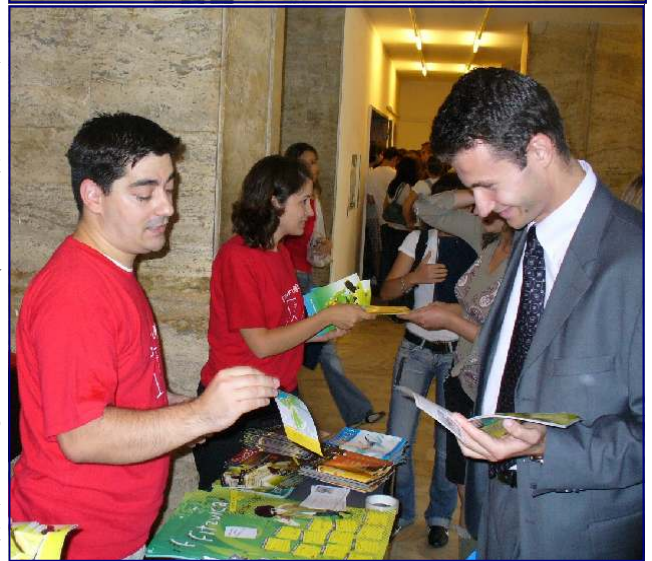
Remember I asked you to pray for our camp this summer that it will not be just a fun time for all the students there, but a time that will transform their life forever. Looking back to that camp, watching some of these students now, I can say without a doubt that God has transformed many lives in this camp. I am sure that for many of the 32 non-believers who came it was a life changing experience. We had four American friends from Austin, Texas: Brian, Jodi, Wanda and Melissa who helped us with seminars and devotionals. Students were so encouraged to talk to them, to see the change in their life from angry, violent, unfulfilled people to kind, loving, successful Christians. I heard many of the staff saying it was the best camp ever for them. God was at work. Thank you for your prayers and support.



It is now so exciting to see these new Christian students so happy and willing to help, to make a difference. Elena said that, after the camp, she started reading the Bible. “I have read all New Testament and although I am far from being perfect, something is changed in me. I am different.”

They all wanted to help us giving out the Fitzuica magazine. At the beginning of the semester we give out an evangelistic magazine created by us. We already gave it in hand to almost 6000 students from Economics, Architecture and a private university. Almost 18,000 students only in Bucharest, 70,000 in Romania, had the opportunity to understand what Jesus had done for them through this magazine. I understood the Gospel reading an orange Four Spiritual Laws booklet that my brother brought home. Please pray God will open the hearts of all these students to understand and receive the Good News He has for them.

We have hundreds of students that left their contact information in order to be invited to our meetings and get to know us. Every time we look at that stack of contacts we feel overwhelmed. The problem we are facing now in the ministry is that there are too few Christian students besides our staff to go to the lost students. Many of the students involved in the ministry have graduated or have jobs and are now unable to be involved. It is very frustrating to have students excited to grow in their relationship with God and so many others who desperately need to hear about the Lord, but not enough Christians to serve them. It is God’s ministry and He will do it but would you please pray that God will bring workers for His harvest.



**Richard Wurmbrand**

The Romanian National Television has decided to start a show where all the people can vote and decide **who the greatest Romanian in all our history** is. So, for the past 6 months people have voted and first decided for the first one hundred and after a while, the ten greatest Romanians. Don’t get all excited, I was not one of them, although I still can’t get over it. Anyway, who do you think was one of the ten, actually, the one who was voted as **the 5-th greatest Romanians in the Romanian history?** It was Richard Wurmbrand, a former communist leader who finds Christ reading the Bible while he was very ill because of his time in prison. He was again and put in prison when he refused to cooperate with the communist regime. He spent more than 16 years in prison and during this time he led many of the prisoners but also guardians to the Lord. He testified before US Senate against the Romanian communist regime and founded the Christian organization “Voice of the Martyrs”.

Imagine how surprised everyone was when they heard about this Romanian “pocait” (repented) being one of the five greatest Romanians. I guess, Christians are starting to be heard in Romania too.

Everyone says how hard is to drive in Romania. I’ve always said the in this country you have to earn the right to be on the street. If you don’t know what I mean by that come and visit us. We’ll give you the grand tour of Bucharest. It’s hard to drive but it’s even harder to take the driving license. Alina has tried already two times to take the driving test and she failed. It’s frustrating, even more now that we are expecting a baby. By the time she will take the exam in November 28-th she is be already in her second month, not a very pleasing month from what I hear. Please pray that she will pass this exam and for us entering this new stage of life.

There is so much we would like to say to you but we will end here saying that we miss you all so much and we love you.

*Elvis & Alina Filote*