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Sunlight Center is situated in the Danube Delta area (Dunavatu de Jos, Tulcea County, Romania). Raza Soarelui-Sunlight is the only charity organization in an isolated, perspective limited area. The majority of the local community consists of fishermen that lately have to deal with poor fish catch and the Among the schools of Dunavat and Murighiol we have noticed many children from underprivileged families that have consistently scored very low on school tests and are at risk of school drop out.

The Children Holiday was finished in September, but we had maintenance , repairs bathrooms, paint walls, fence, repairs boats and from November we start again and continue the activity in Sunlight Center with 8-10 children from poor families—Dunavatu de Jos and Dunavatu de Sus. Here is a presentation of the activities we had at the center this year:

- 1. The children benefit from a hot meal prepared by us at the center every day. This is very important for the children, as some of them couldn't afford to have such a meal, and it was something the children would look forward to every day.***
- 2. The children receive daily tutoring in the preparation of their homework, and more important, the children that were behind in their learning process and didn't know how to read received help and made tremendous progress by the end of the school year (This program during 2 days/week, for 5 hours including the lunch).***
- 3. We organized creative sessions to work with the children on their social skills and help them improve how they communicate with each other, so that they wouldn't fight as much between themselves.***
- 4. Most important activity of all, we taught the children from the Bible, how to pray and how to trust their lives to our Lord, Jesus Christ.***
- 5. We also organized a few events with the children and their parents, for Easter and Mother's day, when the children sang songs and recited Christians poems. This gave us the opportunity to showcase the progress their children made, and also to connect to the parents and get to know them better and understand them better.***

***Mother Day Program******Children from Easter Program***

6. In the summer holiday, as the school year ended, however the children still benefited from two other important activities: they took part in a 5 days Vacation Bible Camp organized by my son and a group of volunteers from Europe and they also went in a 4 days excursion to the mountains where they got to visit museums and the natural wonders of Romania (for that we receive financial support from Tulcea Council).



Summer VBS



Children visit the Moutains

7. Also, we have Every Friday a program for 25-30 children (no lunch, no school lesson), with bible lessons, crafts, games, puppets drama.



Dunavat children—Boats Trip and play games

We need support the following needs as priority:

- heating and food supplies,
- school materials and the supporting the salary of the kitchen personnel.

**We have heating with electric radiators but in winter when is very cold (minus 10—20 grad Celsi-
us), the temperature in activity room is +15-16 grad C.**

**We need improvement—a better system heating and that cost more 2000 Euro don't include the
wage.**

We pray and we hope God help us.

God bless you, Nicolae Dinu

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