

Report from GHC team on trip to Dobrun, Romania June 2010

On Saturday 12th June 2010 a team of six members of GHC headed off for a second time to the little village of Dobrun, 3 ½ hours south of Bucharest in Romania. We were working closely with the local Kids Alive staff to deliver dental care and health education to this rural community, building on our trip from last year when we had carried out similar work.

We hoped that by returning to this remote area we would show not only our personal commitment to this community but more importantly demonstrate through our actions, God's love and compassion for the people there.

After last year's visit the team had been determined to ensure that we maintained our contact with this community and that we would try to help improve the provision of dental services which were very poor to say the least!

So this year as well as our two dentists providing treatments and nurses delivering presentations on dental hygiene we made contact with two local dentists – and indeed had the unique experience of working in local dental practices!

By liaising with dentists who already work in the area we hoped to build a relationship that would enable GHC to approach them with a view to their helping run a dental clinic in the area. This would provide accessible, affordable dental care for the villagers of Dobrun and the surrounding locality. The funding of a dentist and dental nurse to work for one or two days a month is an affordable project for GHC to take on, but will depend on working with the local health authorities and dealing with Romanian bureaucracy. (Much prayer is needed with regard to this!).

Although we were kept very busy the team had a great time renewing old acquaintances and of course playing with the children from the House of Hope and the Denisa Centre.

We felt that by giving practical dental care and delivering various health presentations we were able to help the local community. However, more importantly we were able to support and encourage Cami (Kids Alive field director) and her family in their evangelical outreach to their community.

Thank you to everyone within Glenabbey who supported and prayed for us. We would appreciate your continued prayers for the people of Dobrun and the ongoing project.