



HEART OF HOPE MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL

MEET ANISOARA FROM HOME OF HOPE!

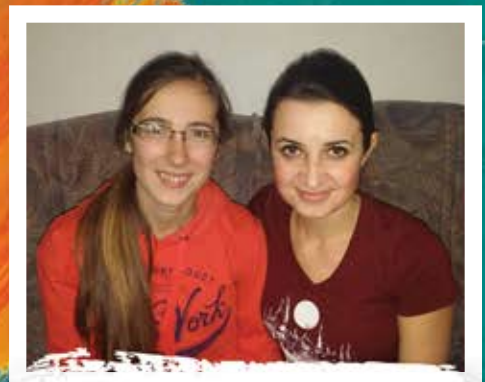
Anisoara, age 19, came to the Home of Hope in October, 2016. She is the second oldest out of 9 siblings. Her father is a simple shepherd and her mother is not able to work due to illness. Anisoara is the first in her family to leave home to get a College Certificate Degree in Nursing - this will take 3 years. She left her parent's small 2 bedroom home and was staying with friends close to Sibiu, searching for months to find a place to live that would enable her to attend college. Fortunately, she was able to move into the Home of Hope the day before college began in October!

In order to save money and provide food for herself (usually eating only once per day) she was working for a cleaning company. Unfortunately, the job was too physically demanding for her and she is now searching for a different position. Anisoara suffers from Lumbar Discopathy, and doctors have told her she's not allowed to lift heavy weights.



At left: Anisoara in her nurses training scrub! "All my life I thought by the age of 18, I would be married, have a piece of land to work and children... like so many I know. But now, I'm excited to see what God has in store for my life. It all worked out great since I met Heart of Hope, Debbie and Silvia, and I'm so grateful! This past December I got to volunteer with the American team and visit the Placement Centers for the first time. I was shocked to see they have bathrooms with showers and decent bedrooms and yet they are so unhappy and so many have no idea how harsh life outside is. I'm so looking forward to volunteering at Camp of the Good Shepherd next summer, I think it's one of the most beautiful places I've seen and I know will be a blessing to those children too. I only met 3 American team members so far, but I know I'm receiving this blessing because of many and I can't say enough how grateful I am!"
- Anisoara Hila

"The day Anisoara moved in she brought a little bag of clothes and some potatoes & onions - that was it! Through Heart of Hope, we have been able to provide her more clothing, hygiene items, food, and a safe Christian home. Every time we talk she tells me how grateful she is to live in a safe home, for the blessings she receives here, and the opportunity to focus on school. Her older sister and identical twin sister recently found older, non-Christian boyfriends and she thinks she would've ended up in the same position if she hadn't had this opportunity to better her life and get an education. Growing up in a house with just 3 rooms, she feels very blessed to be at Home of Hope and share a room with just 2 girls! Her roommate, Anita, has become her best friend and is also a serious student. I'm thankful to work for Heart of Hope and be a small part of this young woman's life!" - Silvia Vasiu



Anisoara and Home of Hope Administrative Assistant, Silvia Vasiu.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! CAMP OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD



Camp of the Good Shepherd Team leader, Jayme Jones, and the children she served last summer at Camp of the Good Shepherd. Jayme will be leading the Camp Session 2 Team.

"I absolutely love how God moves in a real and tangible way through these children. We set out to love, care and bless them but in the end, we are the ones who are changed. It is a privilege and an honor to work alongside Romanian volunteers, learning and growing together while serving others. Thank you for praying for these teams and the dear children who will be served by them!" - Jayme Jones

Have you considered a 'Volunteercation'? A 'volunteercation' is combining volunteer service with a vacation! Heart of Hope is seeking volunteers for our 2017 camp season at Camp of the Good Shepherd. American volunteers serve in all areas of daily camp operation and are responsible for a daily craft time, organized games and activities, and an evening fellowship time. American teams work hand in hand with Romanian volunteers to share the love of Christ with children from Placement Centers and impoverished communities. After your volunteer service ~ visit Transylvania or stop off in your favorite place in Europe for an extended vacation!

We are seeking volunteers for our first two camp sessions. A typical term of service is 2 weeks (special accommodations can be made if you are only able to serve for one week). Each session will provide a week of camp for 2 different groups of children - so you will be serving two different groups of children and with two different Romanian teams. Check out our website for a Camp Team Fact Sheet outlining service and financial responsibilities, and don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or for more information at: info@heartofhope.org.

*Session 1 - Departing the States on Friday, June 23rd - returning Sunday, July 9th
Session 2 - Departing the States on Friday, July 7th - returning Sunday, July 23rd*

Thank you for considering to be part of our away team and a special thank you to our home team providing support for Home of Hope this winter!

Yours in Partnership,

Debbie and your
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