Mission to Hungary and Romania

Each year, Deacon Steve and his wife, Lucia spend several months in Hungary and Romania. Along with Tiberiu “Tibi” Majoros, Coordinator for Romania and Deacon Zoli Kunszabó, they conduct missions, coordinate youth camps, host conferences, lead retreats, and teach about marriage. This past year, they traveled to Budapest, Lelkes Napok, and the Vac Diocese of Hungary. They also traveled to several locations in Romania including Vadu Crisului, Nagyvárad, and Nagybajom. Here are some highlights of the mission.

Lelkes Napok Youth Camp

This camp, sponsored by the Hungarian Catholic Charismatic Renewal was attended by 142 young people. The core team consists of several young men and women who are on fire for the Lord and who work tirelessly to make this camp such a huge success each year.

Diocese of Vac Youth Camps

Camp attendance ranged from 40 to 200 per session. Each of the five camps provided opportunities for Holy Mass, prayer, worship, free time, teaching, and recreation. The recreation events, main teachings, and the prayer ministry, were sponsored by Renewal Ministries.

Túlél tábor Survival Camp

Vadu Crisului, Romania

Tibi developed this unique camp that combines survival training with evangelization. Located in a beautiful natural area near the Carpathian Mountains, the camp includes sports and games, as well as short talks, testimonies and Holy Mass. On the last night campers had the opportunity to give their life to Jesus. And they responded.

Erdélyi Rio

Archdiocese of Alba Youth Festival

Erdélyi Rio was a week-long camp planned to coincide with World Youth Day in Rio. It had the same theme: Go, and Make Disciples of All Nations. The daily schedule consisted of Holy Mass, talks on discipleship and evangelization, small group discussion, quiet time, recreation and workshops.
Szent Pál Közösség Community Nagyvárad

At the Community of St. Paul, I believe the LORD wanted me to speak on the topic of weakness. So I shared about the effects of the stroke that I had the previous year and how “being less” allows the Lord to use us more. I focused on 1 Corinthians 1:27 “God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong.”

Új Jeruzsálem Katolikus Közösség Community Gathering

This Community Gathering was attended by approximately 60 people. The day consisted of praise and worship, two talks on the meaning of Catholic sacramental marriage, lunch, a talk on evangelization, and prayer by Deacon Zoli. The day closed with the celebration of Holy Mass.

Kaposvár Catholic High School Evangelization

The Kaposvár Catholic High School Evangelization lasted two days. The first day we spoke to seniors. For the most part they did not want to be there and the results were mixed at best. The second day we spoke to juniors and they were wide open to us and to the Holy Spirit.

Nagybajom Town Mission

The Nagybajom Town Mission attracted a mixture of young, married, elderly, Hungarian and Gypsies. Those who attended seemed to be profoundly discouraged, maybe even hopeless. By the end of the event their countenance had lightened noticeably. We have been invited back to both the Catholic High School in Kaposvár and to do another mission in Nagybajom.

Worship time during one of the five youth camps in the Diocese of Vac in Hungary.