

January 27, 2019

Dear brother Bruce Stewart,

I pray that the year 2019 brings you happiness, health and prosperity in all areas of your life through Jesus Christ.

Another year has passed and I'm hoping this is the year of His coming back. In this start of a new year I want to thank you and your congregation for your financial support and prayers, from the bottom of my heart.

About the car, with God's help it is now fixed and it works but it needs to pass the yearly technical inspection and I pray for a solution regarding this.

With the car being broken I had to borrow around 6000 \$ and bought another mini bus from Germany last year. It's a Mercedes Sprinter from 2002 with 355k km mileage but it works really well. It's a 9 seat and it's really spacious. I attached some pictures with the car.

The past month we managed to buy firewood enough to get out of the winter, it's a really cold one.

Our son Radu has finished school and got a job in construction in the city.

Our family sends greetings.

Thank you again for all your support.

Your brother in Christ,  
Petre Ganea

To brother Bruce Stuart and to the Church Open Doors

Dear brothers in Christ,

We are grateful to our God, for your abundant generosity and support over the past years!

We are remembering this days that our King, born in Bethlehem, had used you to be such a blessing for our family!

We pray, that in this days of darkness, our everlasting God help us all, walk in His light and reflect His love! A star showed the way to some wise men, as like should we shine for the others to see the way to Christ:

"And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever."

Daniel 12:3

May God help us all and provide us with all we need to do that!

Be blessed in Jesus, our King and Saviour, Name!

Warmest regards,

Family Ganea from Romania

*Ganea Family - with Pete, Julie, Larisa, & Jonathan Heisey*



To Pastor Bruce and to all brothers and sisters from Open Doors Baptist Church

Dear brother in Christ,

We greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, whose return we are waiting more than ever!

In this way, we would like to thank you and to show you how grateful we are, that you were always beside us in our ministry and through hard times. Through you, God has done, over time, a lot of miracles for us and He fulfilled, in this way, His promise that He will always provide.

We would like to say thank you to all our brothers and sisters in Christ, who backed us up in this spiritual war, and supported us with prayers and with financial needs!

It was a very hard year for us, just in the last month I have lost my mother and my 62 years old sister, both being infected with covid19. But even in this darkness and for many- hopeless times, we can see the Light guiding and encouraging us, and Jesus remains our only Hope.

He is still fulfilling us with gratefulness and even when everything seems so hard and confusing, we can say loudly and clearly: Ebenezer, thus far the Lord has helped us!

We have seen, in these times of despair, that even after so many years, the Gospel is still the best news a man can receive, that there is no other salvation, there is no other hope for one man's soul, than God's pure love poured in His Gospel. His Gospel, His Word is the only thing that can bring peace and erase the fear, the despair and the confusion of the people. The people need God more than ever, and we pray to God to renew our strength and give us power to serve Him further according to His will.

We have not been vaccinated and we intend to remain this way. There are a lot of restrictions now in Romania and everything is very tight, but the vaccine is not a legal obligation yet and we do not fear something that may harm our earthly body. We are trying though to take care of our elderly from the church and to protect them not just from this virus but also from this fear and panic that filled the world, by encouraging and guiding them to the Word.

Another update from us, is that we have recently changed our van with a minivan Seat Alhambra with 7 seats. The reason is that we had to pay an annual tax of 250\$ for the van and also the fuel consumption was high. With the recent rise of gas prices we have observed this is no longer affordable for us. For the mini-van, the tax is only 60\$ per year, and also the gas consumption is considerably lower, but because the car is from 2005, we had to pay for the maintenance and for the replacement of some parts, in order to pass the annual check.

We remained with a debt of 1000\$ because of these costs but we learned to trust God that He will provide in time, like always.

We find that sometimes, especially when all things seem impossible and all the doors seem closed, it is very hard to depend only on Him from day to day, that He will provide. And as human beings, we have failed many times to fully trust Him. But God showed us that He knows our needs better than us, and provides us not only with physical nourishment, but also with spiritual nourishment just in time.

In this note, we would also like to encourage you to put all your trust in God, our lovely Father who will always take care of His children and who always nourishes us spiritually, physically and emotionally.

We wish you peace and health and may the grace of God be upon your families and your church!

Your brother in Christ,  
Petre Ganea







*Dear Brother Bruce, dear deacons and beloved brothers and sisters,*

*I bring thanks to the Lord for His grace that we are here in 2018 and all family could meet together(almost). I will never forget God's blessings. We went through many hardships when all the kids were at home but now all of them completed their studies except for the little ones : Radu and Ioana who still live with us.*

*Radu is in his 7th grade and Ioana in her 2nd. All of this was possible through your prayers and financial support. I humbly thank the Lord for Bruce's family and the Open Doors church.*

*The car keeps breaking down and getting fixed but it's been a great blessing along the years and we thank God and you for it.*

*Andreea and Paula are married, Paula now has a little baby girl Ruth and Andreea a baby boy called Dominic. The others are not married yet and we pray for them.*

*With the event of the new year 2018 we wish you many financial and spiritual blessings and pray God to bless you with good health.*

*We love you very much!*

*Your brother in Christ,  
Petre Ganea*

December 29, 2016

**Subject:** Ganea update 2016

Dear brother Bruce,

Even though a long time has past since I last wrote to you, I have not lived an event or celebration in my family or my church without thanking God for you because you are part of all my joy through your moral and financial support and your prayers.

Whatever hardship we went through in 2016 I knew in my heart that you and the Lord are with me and I stood up every time.

You have done so much for me and our ministry here and I pray that He remembers and rewards it all.

We are generally good, our greatest wish is to see His second coming. The car works fine and we are still using it.

I wish all the joy in Him to you, your family and your ministry.

Your brother in Christ,  
Petre Ganea



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Saturday, February 06, 2016

**Subject:** Ganea Update

Dear Pastor Bruce,

Many years have passed since I've seen you but I remember well the time you have spent together with our church here in Berini. It was a blessed time and I still thank God for it.

I pray He has many blessings and good health for you in 2016.

Our car broke down just before Christmas but I brought it to a couple of mechanics and eventually they got it fixed but the cost was around 300 dollars and that was tough for us because it happened just before the holidays. We pray for a short winter so that we have enough firewood.

Other than that we are good although not as healthy as we were before. We keep working with our ministry of old, sick and poor people in Berini.

Radu and Ioana still live with us. He is in the 10th grade now and Ioana is in the last year of kindergarten.

Thank you and the brothers and sisters for your prayers and support!

Your brother in Christ,

Petre Ganea

Rom 14:8

To Pastor Bruce and the deacons,

We salute you all with Christ's grace and peace.

Thank you all for your prayers and your financial support (for 2014), which was always on time.

I thank the Lord for His faithfulness shown through you and I know that without your support (prayers, financial support, car) I couldn't continue this ministry.

I felt your encouragements many times and I knew you are with me so in spite of all the difficulties I walked further through faith and I am happy and thankful to know that I do all these things for the Lord.

I am thankful for the car which was always a great help and that for Christmas we could visit our daughter who moved to Germany after her wedding.

As for Radu, we didn't meet the new regulations in regards to living conditions so my wife was fired as his "tutor" but they agreed to let us keep him, since there are only 2 years left until he majors (at 18 the Romanian state is not "responsible" for him anymore because he will be considered an adult). Though we are still waiting for a judge's verdict before we can have the legal papers to do so.

Our older kids all have jobs now.

Our church wishes you health and joy in the Lord.

With much love, your brother in Christ,  
Petre Ganea

To Bruce Steward and Open Doors Church

The more we are tried in different ways the more we wait for our Lord to come back.

There's not many news regarding our ministry, the brothers and sisters are very old and often ill and the kids have all left home. Our daughter Andreea got married and they left for studies in Germany. Tony is working in Timisoara and Estera finished with university and is now working with a christian organization called M.I.A (Mission in action).

Coco has also finished college and is looking for work.

Because he graduated he is no longer considered a minor and we were asked to adopt another kid but because our house is still in construction we didn't fill in the requirements and our request was denied. So my wife is out of job - Radu is still with us, but we lost the pay.

We are thinking of working with orphans in the future but with a christian organization instead of the government, if we manage to finish the construction. Recently we visited my mother who is now a widow after my father passed away. Please pray for us.

I pray for the Lord to bless your ministry,  
Your brother in Christ Petre Ganea

Dear pastor, brothers and sisters,

I thank God all the time for your ministry and your prayers. For all these years I have been encouraged by your spiritual and financial support and I pray and hope that I will never disappoint you.

The older we grow, we find more and more things to worry and complain about. The rest of the brothers who stayed in the church building in Berini are willing to unite with us again but we did not agree to go back to Males's building.

He and his men are baptizing people that were not born again, and don't have a changed life and we are upset of their testimony.

I'm wondering and praying more often about His will for me in this village because I'm growing older working and suffering and I see very few results.

It's harder for me and the church without the kids, since I can't bring them home in the weekend anymore. The car is eating now over 10% and something is broken more and more often. We need to change the oil and the filters, the timing belt (I have over 70k km now) and the break plates.

A smaller, less gas consuming car would be useful, be it 10 years older and I could use the minibus when we need space.

I started breaking the walls in our bathroom and found the water pipes broken in 3 places. I fixed the pipes and now we have water in our bathroom again.

My dear brothers, please pray for us that we manage to buy fire wood. I trust His faithfulness that He will find a solution for us this winter.

Marcel finished his licence and is looking for work, our girls are also working/looking for part-time work to help with their college fees.

Our church sends many blessing in Him and our unchanging message: Rom 14:8

Your brother in Christ, Petre Ganea.



Dear brother Bruce, brothers and sisters,

Thank you again for your financial support and for your prayers. We finally got out of winter trough God's help, the temperatures here were down to -20 degrees Celsius so everything froze, even people froze to death or buried under the snow.

We ran out of fire wood so we only warmed the kitchen and the room where we slept. The kids didn't come home for the weekend but it was tough for Ioana and Radu who were home with us. We moved to the city in the apartment for a week when the temperatures were too low.

The warm water pipes and the boiler in the bathroom cracked because of the cold but we thank God that we are well.

The car started without any problem despite the cold.

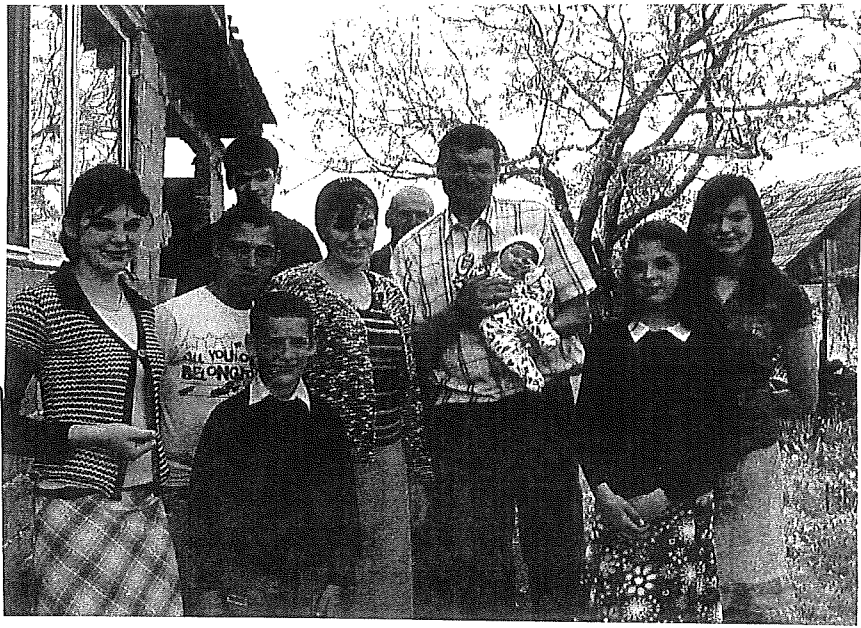
Tony has found a job, Paula is going to college and has a job too and Estera got a scholarship. Coco wants to go for a master after he finishes college.

Our church wishes you health and peace.

Your brother in Christ,

Petre Ganea

Romans 14:8



We always bring our gratefulness for you before God even though we will only meet most of you when He will come.

Trough these lines I want to give you as many news as possible.

We are not really healthy , me and my wife have health problems but the Lord is our healer to whom we go , without needing money or medicine.

We put our trust in Him regarding our ministry, our family and our spiritual health and I know He only gives us as much as we can carry.

We would colapse in all things without the Lord and His intervention.

Tony has graduated from college and is looking for a job.He is going trough some though times, please pray for him.

Estera just started college , she is studying arts (design).She needs 350\$ until 10 november for the first tuition pay.Please pray for this.

Paula also started college, she is studying economy and she got a full scholarship.

Coco is curenly in his last year of college and he found work during the summer and he managed to pay his 700\$ tuition for the whole year.

Andreea is in her second year of highscool and she's studying computer science.

Radu is in the 6th grade now.He has some though time in school (failed german language).Please pray for him.

Ioana is good and she is doing great progresses.We thank the Lord for her.

Today,16 october we had our "thanksgiving day" , we gathered and thanked God for his blessings.One member from the old church came back with us but then he married and left the village.

There's much fighting for every soul.

We also pray for some of the things we will need for winter: firewood, 2 winter tires, taxes (house and car).

Thank you for your financial support and prayers.

With much gratitude ,your brother in Christ, Petre Ganea

**Latest E-mail**

**Date: February 22, 2010**

**Subject: P.Ganea**

Dear brother Bruce and church,

I have found a car here:<http://peugeot.anunturi-auto.4tuning.ro/anunturi-auto/masini-second/peugeot-boxer-td-9340369.html#poze>.

It has no papers but i could use it to fix my car and swap the broken parts.This is the best offer i've found so far, it's a bit expensive so please pray to God that i find a good offer and manage to buy it.

Yours in Christ,  
Petre Ganea.

Dear Brother Pastor Bruce,  
Dear Brothers in Christ, our Lord

Thank God we are healthy and well and we all hope to reach the end of the winter in good condition.

Every time, it is very difficult for me to write you and I always ask guidance from the Holy Spirit. I pray a lot for you and you are very close to my heart. Never ever before had anyone done so many good things for me. You are the only church who has ever supported me in prayers.

In his heart, every missionary wishes not to be a too much burden for the church. This is why it is very difficult for me to write about this problem which appeared 2-3 months ago, when the car engine broke down.

Nobody knows yet how could this happen. There are mechanics who say that the driving belt broke and thus the engine block broke down and it must be replaced. I have no idea how much a new engine would cost.

You have already done a lot for me. But I wanted to share my pain with you and to ask you to help me bring this issue in front of God, so that HE can decide how to get me out of this. The enemy would be very glad if we abandoned, after how much we have invested in this work.

We have here a big “battle” for a clean Bible, for an independent Baptist church and for every soul. I have many and various temptations and obstacles and I sometimes do not understand God. Still, HE is my joy and motivation for everything I do and for how I live.

We all greet you with our verse from Romans 14:8.

I thank all brothers for their support during the year 2009.

Petre Ganea and the Family



Dear brothers in Christ,

I apologize for this big delay.

I was gone for a month and a half working in Italy because I needed the money to pay the college fees of my two sons Coco and Tony.

Tony is the second year in computer science and Coco was baptized and is a student at the Christian university in Oradea.

While I was away my wife drove the bus to church and they took a country road to avoid the main road, the car got stuck in a huge pothole and the engine failed. Although many things happened this year We strive to be faithful to Lord. We send our greetings with much gratitude for the financial support and wish the coming year to bring much joy and peace blessing from the Lord. I will send a more detailed letter soon.

With much gratitude and affection,

Ganea family!

## Peter & Viorica Ganea

Here are some pictures of the Ganea family at their baby dedication where Pete preached. The baby's name is Ioana (like Joanna but with 'ee' sound at the beginning and no 'j' sound like Eoana). I don't know her exact date of birth but will get it as soon as we can. The oldest is Ionata (same deal with the no j sound but an E) but they call him Tony, then Marcel but they call him Coco, then Estera, Paula, Andreea, the youngest boy is Radu and then Ioana the baby. They appreciate your support and prayers so much. They are going through so many hard things--the child protection services are making them add rooms to their house so the two boys they have in foster care can have their own rooms (ridiculous as these boys have been with them for over 7 years; Radu was 1 1/2 when they got him and Coco has been there probably over 9 years). If they don't get them done they will take the boys away from them. If you would pray with them about this I know they would really appreciate it. Have a great day!

Julie Heisey



To Pastor Bruce Stewart and the Open Door Baptist Church

We give warm thanks to God for you and your work, the benefits of which our family is enjoying as well. With God's help we've begun another year in which we would like to be closer to Him in obedience, repentance and service, to hasten and not to hinder the much awaited return of our Savior and the Savior of all that love Him.

A joy that we have in our church is that one of the brothers who was against us from the group that is meeting in the building we had used, has returned to us with a genuine repentance and regularly participates in our fellowship. At the same time, there is only two sisters left at the group now using our old building, the rest have disbursed.

Our children have grown. Toni is in his first year of college studying data processing--in English (it is very hard for him). Coco is finishing high school; two of our girls, Estera and Paula are in high school in the city, while Andreea and Radu are in the school in our village. And in a few days, Lord willing and with God's help a new little person will be added to our family.

It is starting to warm up some here. Our country is going through a period of crisis like in the United States, thus we would like to start a small family business--a fruit tree orchard.

Spiritually, we're trying to maintain a close bond of collaboration with brother Pete and his family, who has helped us many times when those of our own countrymen didn't understand us.

We wish you, from the bottom of our heart, all of God's blessings and all that is good. With warm regards,

Peter Ganea and family

Dear Beloved Church and Pastor,

I am rejoicing that I can bring you good news about our work and we thank the Lord for this. I want to thank you so very much for the support that you give us so regularly which covers a huge portion of our needs. Our lives are very, very busy and I didn't realize how much nor how rapidly time has flown by; otherwise I would have written much earlier.

The children have finished the school year (in late June) and have taken their end-of-year exams. Esther (Estera) took her high school entrance exam and will enter an academic high school in the city of Timisoara. We have also begun some necessary renovations on our house due to our large family.

The four older children were able to go for a week to a good Baptist camp near the town of Beius with other young people from independent Baptist churches. With regard to our local assembly, we thank the Lord that we have remained united in our stand for separation from error, although some of the brothers have gone through a very hard year of being ostracized. We meet together at Brother George's (Gheorghe's) house and usually we number between 15 and 20. We do ask your prayers for sister Marioara who is sick and has other physical problems which will require an operation very shortly. Please support her with your prayers, for which we thank you in advance.

I, Petrica (Peter), have been able to pick up a little bit of side work laying "pavers". Recently, I was blessed to be able to do some work for Brother Pete Heisey in Timisoara and that will help with our needs.

We greet you all with the warmest of our greetings.

With love from the Peter Ganea family.

I've attached some photos with the brothers in Berini and some with us renovating the house.

