



Introduction

Mother Teresa once said, "If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one." In Romania there are literally thousands of elderly widows in need of basic care. Each summer these widows struggle to grow enough food to provide for their basic needs throughout the winter, and each winter these same widows struggle to adequately heat their homes to stay alive. Because of this need the Widow's Mite ministry was formed in 2004 by missionary and Pastor, Jacqueline Ramsey.

This ministry cares primarily for elderly women who have no family and little or no governmental support. The Widow's Mite ministry provides food, medicine, and fire wood to over forty women (on average) who are unable to meet these basic needs for themselves all in the name of Jesus Christ.

WHERE WE SERVE



Your Support Makes a Difference!

Thank you for taking the time to learn about the Widow's Mite Ministry. If you would like to join our team as a financial partner please make donations payable to:

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Thank you and God bless!

Widows Mite Ministry

Serving the widows of Western Romania



✿ JAMES 1:27 ✿

"Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world."

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How you can pray for the widows.

- Hope quickly fades when you struggle for your basic needs. Please pray that these women will not only be filled physically but also spiritually.
- Please pray for comfort. Many of these elderly suffer from many physical ailments as a result of a life of hard work. Pray that God will ease their pain.
- Pray for their salvation. Our time on earth is short, but for those of us who have a relationship with Jesus Christ, we look forward to eternity in Heaven. Please pray that through our service to these elderly they will come to know Jesus.

“Let us more and more insist on raising funds of love, of kindness, of understanding, of peace. Money will come if we seek first the Kingdom of God - the rest will be given.” ~ Mother Teresa

What’s a “typical” month look like at the Widows Mite Ministry?

In all reality there is no typical month in this ministry, as the needs of these aging widows is ever changing. However each month we set forth with several specific goals as follows.

- We provide supplementary food.
- We provide a listening ear. Something as simple as sitting and listening to these women can show them the love of Christ. Many of these women, especially in winter, will go days without any personal contact.
- We assess their needs. Each visit gives us an opportunity to check the health of these elderly and also the condition of their home. Once assessments are made we do what we can to help.
- Some months include a medical visit.



- We provide fire wood in the winter. Most of our widows would rather go hungry than face a long cold winter without sufficient fire wood. The total cost of fire wood for our program is currently around \$6000 per year, however we continue to add additional widows as we can.

Our goals are simple. We do all we can to show Christ’s love to these elderly, treating them as if they were our own family.

Story of Hope

Each participant in the program has their own unique story, and through providing these basic needs, year after year, we are able to become a small part of it.

Early on in the program we were introduced to a gentleman who needed our assistance, Ioan, our first man. Even though the program is almost totally comprised of widows, Ioan’s story is one of our favorite’s. Ioan had lived a difficult life and had suffered a series of small strokes leaving him very difficult to understand. Ioan, like most the people in the program, was always excited to see us. During our visits we always spoke to him about Jesus. On one particular visit we delivered him a birthday card that was sent from his sponsor from the States. That day we saw that Ioan was weakened by yet another stroke so I asked him if he knew where he would spend eternity. The concept of being sure of where one could spend their eternity amazed Ioan. After a great talk and prayer, I opened the card from his sponsor – inside Ioan found the exact same scriptures I had just given him – for him, that was a wonderful confirmation that the Lord truly was in control! When we came back the next month we were amazed to see Ioan had spent his entire pension on a coffin, with his name spray painted in silver on the side. He wanted to know when he gets to go to heaven? I explained that it would be when he died. When will that be he inquired? Ah, that is up to the Lord Ioan. Ioan didn’t have too long to wait – I miss that sweet simple man.

Ioan lived a simple, and difficult life. Yet in the end, through the Widows Mite Program, we were able to show him how to find certainty in eternity through a relationship with Jesus.