



A Rest Along the Way

Jubilate - Summer 2026



Dear friends,

We called it ***A rest along the way*** . . . a stop during the journey. A four-day ***Selah*** in the mountains in central Romania. A time for resting, worshiping, Bible study, creating art, making new friends, singing, hiking, and talking a bit about our many obstacles in the way of finding time - especially to respond to Christ's daily invitation to us:

***Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart,
and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.*** Matt. 11:28-30

Maybe you find yourself thinking the same way as the person who shared this testimony after our days of rest:

"Stopping isn't always something we perceive as positive – and it's just that we don't have time for it. Sometimes, God makes us stop even when we aren't tired. In fact, we're more comfortable on the move; we feel good being on the move. And stopping brings to light problems we would have preferred to ignore and that would have gone unnoticed while we were moving along. Most times I don't like those kinds of stops... and yet, how good it is that the Lord brings them into my life! I am so thankful for these four days of rest along the way. God truly met with me in extraordinary ways."

God is able to do immeasurably more than we can ask or imagine (Ephesians 3:20-21). We give thanks for the many lives that were changed during those days. Two young men made decisions to follow Christ and both plan to be baptized in the coming months. Several shared that they found direction in important decisions they needed to make. Young families were able to receive counseling that led to healing in relationships. 65 people (including some families with children) participated from all over Romania and from other countries. What joy!

Thank you for joining us in giving thanks – and for praying for us . . .

- I have been a bit behind in my work on my book *Selah*. Please pray that I will be more disciplined in coming months so that, after final editing and typesetting work, we'll be able to publish by November.
- Our *Jubilate* music and worship course will be Aug. 10-16. We are thankful for our wonderful staff of 20 teachers. About 100 participants are coming from all over Romania and from 6 countries – many quite young (17-21) and coming for the first time. Pray for safe travel, for unity, for rich times of learning and serving together, and especially that all of us will draw closer to the Lord in service to Him and His Church.

Your faithful support through prayers and gifts is truly a blessing to me and to so many here! *Richard*

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