

## Steve and Rosie Kennedy

Location: **Cluj-Napoca, ROMANIA**

Mission: **Outreach and teams ministry**



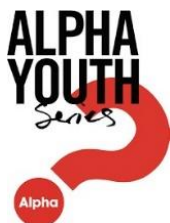
*“Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a **new** thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert... for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise.*

*Isaiah 43:18-19,21*

There certainly was a lot of **‘new’** during the last month; home, town, schools, people and church family. We also began two months of living apart as a family. Following his installation on 17th May Steve stayed in Enniskillen to begin ministry, while Rosie and the girls returned to Cluj-Napoca.

It is important that Julia and Lucy finish school in Romania, like most schools the end of year includes highly anticipated activities; class overnight trips, outings, parties, Prom, etc... It is so important for all of us that we ‘finish well’ our time in Romania. This is just as important for Julia and Lucy, as this year saw friendships develop and strengthen.

Work with Biserica Poarta Regelui in Youth Alpha continues, one teenage girl has been very committed. She is very expressive and open about what she believes. We continue to meet and invite people to come. Rosie continues to meet with a couple of ladies to provide pastoral support as they journey through personal difficulties.



We have learned so much from our time in Romania and so as we move on, the song ‘My Heart is filled with Thankfulness’ comes to mind. In this song we give thanks for God’s spiritual blessing - past, present and future.

In verse 2, we thank God for walking with us in the present, today, as He ‘floods my weaknesses with strength, causes fears to fly; Whose every promise is enough for every step I take, sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace.’

Regardless of our circumstances; happy or sad, good or bad, easy or difficult, old or **new**, how thankful we are that God walks with us.

### Give thanks for:

- A wonderful week settling into Enniskillen and for provision of suitable schooling for the girls.
- Steve’s Installation into Enniskillen Presbyterian Church, and the warm welcome we all received into the community of faith.
- Continued opportunities to support ministry here in Cluj.

### Please pray:

- As we live apart and prepare for the transition back to Northern Ireland.
- For the teenage girl attending Youth Alpha, that as her knowledge deepens that the Spirit would turn her heart towards Jesus and He will reveal Himself to her, and that others would join these discussions.
- For the ladies Rosie continues to meet offering Pastoral support.
- For Steve as he takes up ministry in Enniskillen that he will rely on God’s strength as he meets lots of people, listens and learns, in order to best serve the congregation and community of Enniskillen.