

Dani and Sarah Ispas

Romania



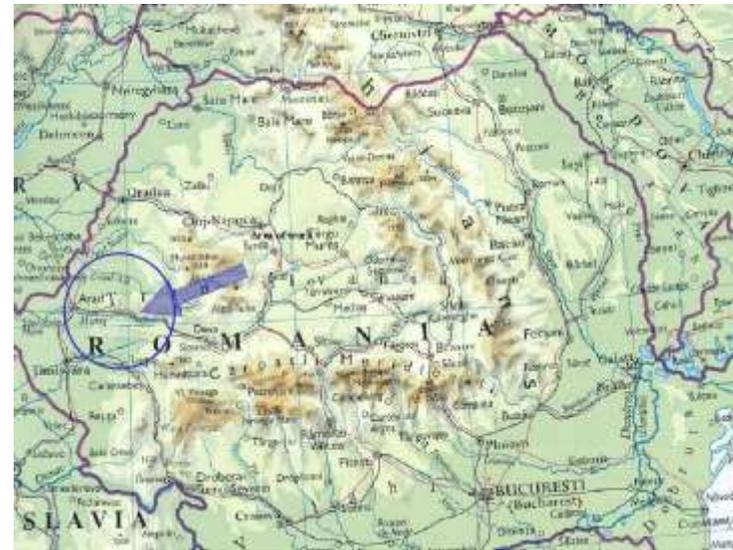
Following study at the International Bible Institute in the UK, Dani returned to Romania to take a lead pastoral role in the church with specific outreach to the children, youth and young married couples. He married Sarah from the UK in 2007 and today, with Tobias and Ella-Lynn their children, continue to reach out to the poor and needy in their local area and surrounding district. Dani has a particular heart for evangelism and has commenced a town wide visitation programme.

Sarah is a support to other young mums and hopes soon to take a lead on children's work in the church.



They are also working hard to build their own house.

Dani and Sarah are working hard in Carand, Romania. They are very involved in church life, trying to move the traditional culture to be more open and show in practical terms the love of God and bring the gospel message to those in need. They have started a home Bible study group and do much in the local community to provide help and support in practical ways.



Since Romania joined the EU in 2007 life has improved but it still has a long way to go. The rural areas are finding it especially tough. The cost of living is virtually the same as in the UK - the elderly and poor in Romania live day to day, week to week, on almost nothing, typically a pension of less than **£70 per month**.



This lady is on her own and has no electricity or running water. She collects sticks from the forest for heating. Her garden is so overgrown that it can't even be used for vegetables.

Dani and Sarah work with Community Action Romania, a UK based charity, which supports some 35 families of the poorest people by an "Adopt a Friend" programme. It also supports various projects in the area including renovation of an old barn to provide a Sports, Health and Life centre for youth, providing toilet facilities and educational materials for local schools, renovating a fish farm to convert it into a swimming pool.