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Ezekiel grew up in a priest's home. He had a life of ease, status and prominence. He was 25 years old when he was taken into captivity yet even in captivity, he got married and seemed to be living a pretty good life along the Kebar River. Until one day, he got a crazy vision from God and his whole life was turned upside down. God was asking him to step outside his comfort zone.

At 30 years old, he was called by God to walk an intense path of declaring judgment, seeing horrible visions and performing difficult tasks. His was a job that would fail. God said so. His was not a life to envy or want. His life was not for the soft or faint of heart. Yet, we see something very interesting in the communication between God and Ezekiel. Ezekiel 3:8-9 says, **"But I will make you as unyielding and hardened as they are. I will make your forehead like the hardest stone, harder than flint."** My notes for those verses say, **"The people would not believe Ezekiel's message... To enable Ezekiel to face that coming rejection, God promised to give him courage and determination to proclaim God's prophetic message in all circumstances."**

I think about Ezekiel and wonder if he were a bit soft like me. Then, as God called Ezekiel to something difficult, he needed to go through a process of strengthening and hardening. Throughout the book of Ezekiel, after the horrible visions, dire predictions and violent prophecies, the Bible says, **"Then the Spirit lifted me up..."** Isn't that a beautiful picture? The Spirit lifted Ezekiel. And, that is a picture I am living. He is enabling, preparing, equipping and strengthening me. God is taking my softness, hardening it in big ways and lovingly lifting me up while He works in my life. He is growing me as I take each day in obedient surrender to the process. Life in mission work is tough. It is spiritually, mentally, physically and relationally extremely challenging. Many days I wake deciding to stick with it, to work, to live, to breathe and to keep saying yes to the hard stuff. Ezekiel could have said no. I think he could have said, "Uh, God? I kind of like my nice life by the river. I've got it pretty good right now." But for some reason, Ezekiel softly yielded to God and was made unyieldingly strong in the process. Thankfully, the difficulty of our task is not quite what Ezekiel faced but we can draw hope from his life. I can't say that I always sweetly or softly yield but I can know that with every difficulty, every mountain, every challenge, God is making me into who I must be to complete the task, to do the hard stuff, to sweat, work and dig deep.

Let me just encourage you that God is the God of impossibilities and big dreams. He sees a picture of us we could never see ourselves. He created us specifically as we are and has ways to use all of that for His glory as He shapes us in crazy, amazing ways. The Holy Spirit will lift us along the way and help us as we choose obedience in the face of great difficulty.

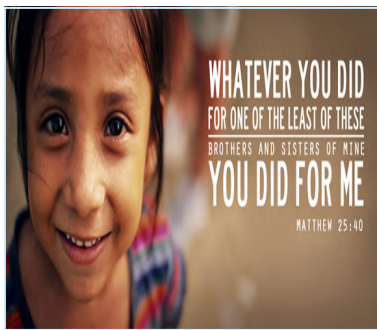
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Pastor Otek Guzy in Warsaw, Poland is a man with a passion for his city. He works tirelessly to meet needs of people across Warsaw. Otek works hard to make a difference in the lives of the children in Warsaw. He has a very successful humanitarian aid ministry there in the city.

Europe's Child Missions is partnering with this Pastor and his church as they attempt to change a generation, one child at a time. We have supported them in providing camps for the children and also food for those in need. During the COVID 19 pandemic, we have been able to assist them in providing food parcels to those in their community.





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For there will never cease to be poor in the land. Therefore I command you, 'You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor, in your land.'

Deuteronomy 15:11

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Feeding children in Poiana, Romania



Feeding children in Megidia, Romania

Because of your prayers and financial support, this past year we were able to provide: 10 Camps in 4 Countries (Scotland, Hungary, Romania, and Poland) 1050 Kids attended under the supervision of 154 workers.

242 Salvations and 33 Baptized in the Holy Spirit.

We also fed over 5,000 meals to children this year.

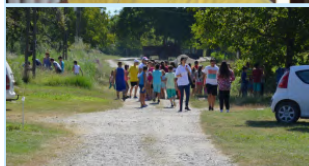
We gave away over 500 Bibles, gospel soccer balls, gospel Frisbees and t-shirts.

We also help over 30 needy families at Christmas time with gifts, food and other items.

We donated 517 Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes this year.



Meet Sebastian. He goes by the name "Sebi". He attended our camp for the very first time last year. Sebi is from the local village of Pestere. His father is the local postal delivery man and heard about our camp by delivering the mail.



Their family doesn't attend church. They are Orthodox Christians. In fact, Sebi's uncle is a Orthodox Priest.



**Together,
We're changing a generation,
One child at a time.**

Sebi, is a fun-loving kid who really enjoyed youth camp last year. He is looking forward to coming back to camp again. Our prayer is that with your support, we can shine the light of Christ into Sebi's heart.



Partnering with Good News Church in Constanta, Romania.

They are helping feed families due to the **COVID 19** pandemic.

