

# CASA VALENTIN IS WARM AGAIN!

Thanks to the generosity of the Herrod Foundation, who kindly send us a very welcome donation each December, Pastor Adrian and Costel, husband of our carer Cornelia, have been able to insulate the exterior walls throughout Casa Valentin. This means that the building is now up to the very latest building standards required by the Romanian government.

This will now save us money on expensive



*Insulating sheets 5cm thick (2 inches) are glued to the existing walls.*



*Strengthening struts are fitted to each sheet of insulation.*



*In the spring, the walls will be rendered with plaster and painted to withstand harsh weather.*

gas fuel, and keep Casa Valentin warm in winter and cool in summer.

**"SMILE!"** No! we don't want selfies! Just remember if you buy from Amazon to use link [smile.amazon.co.uk](https://www.amazon.co.uk?ref=A_Chan_CasaValentin) and our charity will benefit from .05% at no cost to you!

## THANK YOU!

We really appreciate the financial and practical support we receive from you all at this time of the year. As they say in Romania, *multzumesc mult!*

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# Sunflower Seeds

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**GRACIUN FERICIT!**

FROM CHILDREN AND STAFF AT  
CASA VALENTIN



*Shoe boxes are stacked beside the Christmas Tree.*

**YES! THE SHOE BOXES ARRIVED SAFELY,** and this year, 413 children from five villages are receiving a very welcome Christmas surprise. The children are being given their Christmas present as we prepare this festive issue of Sunflower Seeds. A big thank you to everyone who has made these gifts possible, including friends at Waltham Abbey Baptist Church who kindly sent these parcels in five large crates to Romania on our behalf!



*The first boxes are welcomed by the infants!*



*These children were gaily dressed in traditional Romanian Costumes to receive their Christmas presents.*



# THESE ARE THE SOCIAL PROGRAMME YOUNG PEOPLE ENJOYING CHRISTMAS IN 2018

We are sure you will appreciate that with the tightening up of the Data Protection laws, (designed to keep children and vulnerable adults safe), we have decided not to publish the names and pictures of individual Social Programme children in future, in order to comply with safety precautions.

**"When the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law."**

***Galatians 4 verse 4***



*This is how the shoe boxes were transferred from the huge crates to the bedrooms for sorting, with a little help from our friends! (left and above)*



*Who says that playing in the snow can't be fun?*



*Time to relax (above) and a Social Programme family picture (left).*

*Since this picture was taken another girl has joined the family.*

