



OUR MISSION: To assist in the development of Christian leaders in the armed forces of the world and in the establishment and growth of military Christian fellowships.

CELEBRATING IN ROMANIA

Ten years of sharing Christ with Romania's military personnel is cause for celebration, and that's what nearly 60 members of Romania's military Christian fellowship, Cornelius, did in October. They gathered to remember how God has led them and the leaders who helped the MCF grow, and prayed about how they will impact their nation for Christ in the future.

ACCTS staff members Eduard Rosca (from Moldova) and Dick Barnes (from the USA) attended this celebration. Dick, who was at the formation meeting ten years ago, brought with him two suitcases' worth of audio Bibles in several languages for the MCF to distribute. These Bibles are from Faith Comes by Hearing, an ACCTS partner organization which provides audio Bibles, on MP3 players, in over 920 languages.

Several MCF members shared how they were drawn to faith in Christ, including Vasile, who

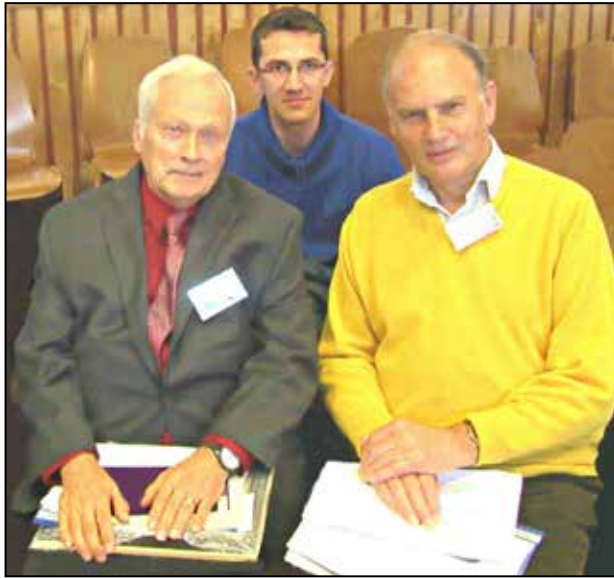
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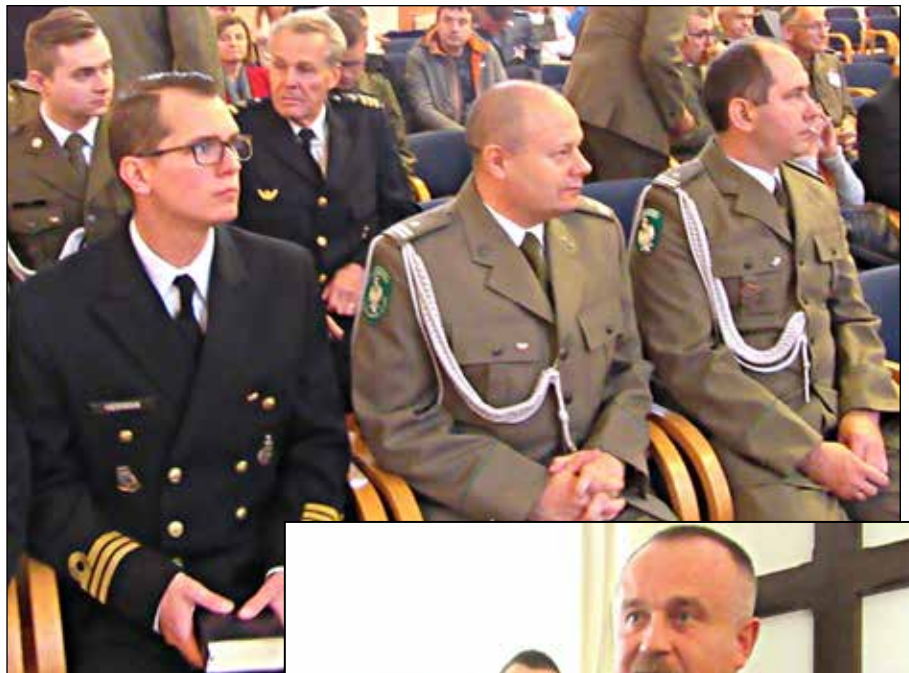
grew up an atheist and had dedicated his life to military service. When Vasile married his wife, Cornelia, he initially wouldn't allow her to mention God in their house. Because of her faithful prayers, however, he came to know Jesus and is now a committed and active Christian who ministers to Romania's police forces.

Praise God with us for these faithful military believers, and ask God to continue to guide them in their ministry to Romania's uniformed personnel!

Praising God in Poland

In October, the Polish military Christian fellowship, Korneliusz, held a joyful celebration of the MCF's 20 years of outreach to their nation's officers, soldiers, and cadets. Staff members Dick Barnes and Bernhard Kaltenbach participated in the celebration, allowing them to reconnect with and encourage military believers in Poland. Bernhard also met up with MCF members who participated in previous Interaction-Rocky Mountain High (I-RMH) leadership programs.

Bernhard remarks, "It was inspiring to see the faithfulness of the core leaders in this group. The MCF is actively planning to co-host, with ACCTS, an Academy Exploration Program in 2018 and is also looking for young people to attend our 2018 I-RMH program. The president of the MCF is an I-RMH graduate, and the MCF leaders know the value of having their members attend ACCTS' leadership training events. Pray with this MCF as they continue sharing Christ with the members of Poland's armed forces."



Bibles and Christmas Boxes

In addition to obtaining Bibles for Romanian military Christians, ACCTS (through faithcomesbyhearing.org) procured audio Bibles for staff member Eduard Rosca to distribute to Moldova's armed forces.

Eduard also obtained permission from national leaders to have 500 Christmas boxes distributed to military children throughout Moldova. Pray with Eduard and other Moldovan military believers who are having such a positive outreach for Christ throughout Eastern Europe.



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A Harvest Thanksgiving in Ukraine

Vasily and Valentina, leaders in the military Christian fellowship of Ukraine, share that the MCF continues to minister to Ukrainian military widows and orphans: "We had two events for military widows. [One was] a one-day conference of widows from all over Ukraine (we brought 15 widows from Kyiv). We have a total of 50 widows, plus their children, whom we care for. We organize one or two events monthly for them, as well as visiting them in their homes and our office...Another event was a day of thanksgiving, thanking God for his abundant harvest. We had 32 widows, and 15 kids, plus our team. There was a gospel message, crafts, and good food!"



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