



*Dear Church Starts International Family, Friends, and Loved Ones,*



Merry Christmas and a blessed joy filled New Year! 2017 marks the 24th Christmas CSI has been involved in strengthening, starting, and staffing churches by clusters. During those years our dear heavenly Father has given CSI a worldwide ministry. Oh how we would like to share with you enough of the glorious outreach to a needy world that has come to pass in those 24 years to cause you to mull over the possibilities in the coming year and years beyond.

Nationals have held 18 CSI Bible Club camps in Moldova without the presence of an American. Seven Bible Club camps took place in 2016 with a total of 539 children and 65 Youth Volunteer Leaders, each camp guided by CSI Team Leaders. Ten Bible Club camps in 2017 had a total of 708 children and 84 Youth Volunteer Leaders with each camp guided by the CSI Team.

The first camp in 2017 was a Winter Bible Club Camp. 95 children from the villages of Grigoresti and Putinesti (Zone 12) came to the Grigoresti Baptist Church's winter Bible Club Camp to enjoy four days of learning and fellowship. The Bible Club Camp culminated on the final day with a beautiful Christmas program that the children presented, demonstrating Bible truths they learned throughout the camp. 68 parents from the world attended the program, and 15 of these parents have continued attending Sunday church services. CSI's materials help children and their families understand Bible truths and have fun learning about God and the Christian way of life. Families are exposed to the joy of a life lived trusting God and serving Him, and seeds of faith are planted in communities!



The second Bible Club Camp in 2017 was held in the village of Alexandreni, Moldova (Zone 12) in June. CSI Team Leaders and 12 Youth Volunteer Leaders guided 109 kids, ages 7-12, in Bible study, games, sports, singing and worshipping God. Stella, CSI Coordinator, reports the children welcomed and loved the CSI materials and the youth volunteers were



thrilled to lead the activities. All age groups grew closer to God by enjoying their time together. CSI Bible Club Camps teach children from the world how to become involved in Christian life through ministry and prayer, trusting and serving God. They are then able to share their passion for what they have learned with loved ones at home! The Alexandreni Bible Club Camp



illustrates what can happen in neighborhoods across our hurting world.

We believe CSI has the strategy and the tools that if we can find our place among those faithful pastors and prayer warriors in our churches that are praying and longing for a worldwide revival and renewal, we will see a great spiritual awakening across our needy world. Oh how many times we have heard our great leaders say, **"If America doesn't have a great awakening we are in real trouble."**

CSI has a plan, the tools and the teams. CSI has **Bible Stories For All Ages** and evangelism, disciple making, and leadership training materials in the languages of approximately 2.5 billion people. The CSI Teams have trained and equipped more than 700 adults and youth in the CSI Outreach Leadership Training. CSI materials can be taught to every person on the planet including those who cannot read (**Acts 2:6**) and those with seeing and hearing disabilities.

I would like to ask you to take a good honest look at the CSI website [churchstarts.com](http://churchstarts.com) to see what has happened, what is happening, and what can potentially happen. Then pray, search your heart, and consider making an investment in this fruit-bearing movement. We cannot move forward without your support and would like to see you become a part of CSI's ministry. More news will be coming soon....

*Merry Christmas and a Joy filled New Year! Bro. Bill*