

LOGOS GLOBAL VISION – Bulgaria Activity Report

January - March 2023

Situation in Bulgaria

On 2nd April we will be having other elections for new Parliament and respectably – new Government. It didn't work after the previous elections. The situation is pretty much the same – unstable in every aspect. The country is in economic crisis and in the same time we don't have a regular Government. It causes people to feel more insecure.

1. Refugees

During the first quarter of 2023 we helped 15 refugees from Ukraine with food for Easter and we took three families to a picnic in the mountains arranging the transport and food for them. We also helped two Syrian refugee women with dippers and a baby carriage for their children.



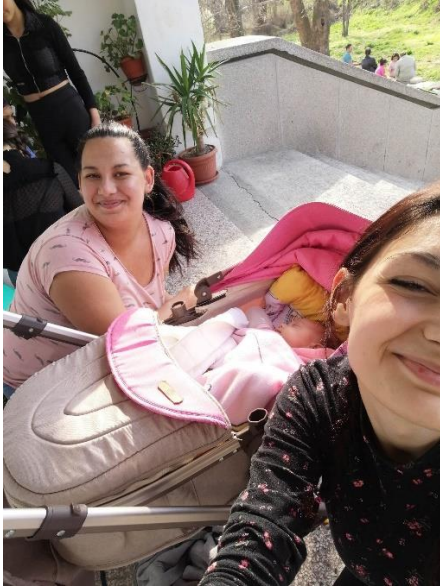


2. People in need

We have helped 15 needy people during this time, especially elderly poor people. Some of them were in need of food, some needed medicine and other stuff.



We also helped a very young single mother with a little baby with dippers, cloths, food and other things she needs for the baby. Her name is Zheliazka(16) and she herself grew up in a orphanage without parents.



3. Orphanages

We continue visiting the three children's homes once a month with a special presentation prepared for the children. We try to prepare them better for life outside of the orphanage.

We also had a picnic outside – played games and sports with them, also had food and drinks prepared for them.

Some gift boxes were given to the children in Zelenikovo, Karlovo and Brezovo on January 2023.



4. Logos Bible School

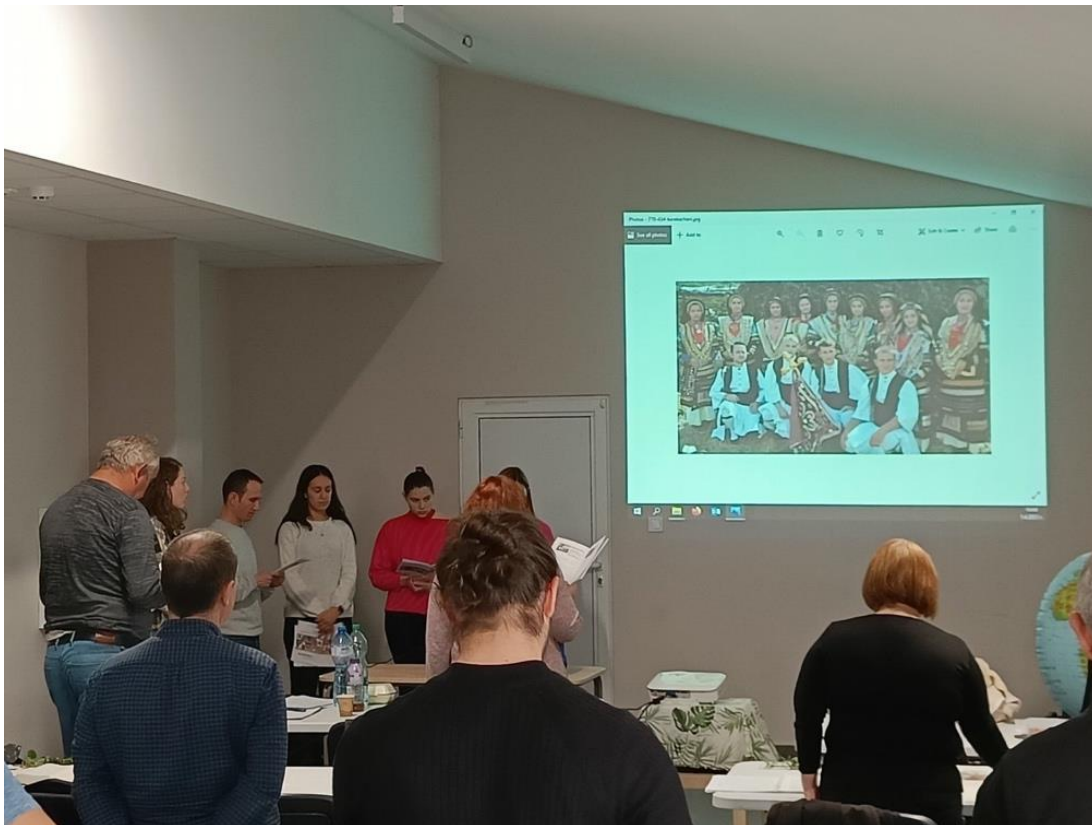
The school year is still continuing in the 5 cities. The students are having their lectures and exams.

Here is a photo from the studying process in the village of Gelemenovo.



5. Kairos Course

There was a Kairos course in Plovdiv during this first quarter of the year. The 19 people who finished the course were very enthusiastic and inspired.





There is going to be another course in Plovdiv in April and another one in Perushtitsa very soon.



6. Human Trafficking

We have presented our Antitrafficking Prevention work to young Gypsy people and adults which are vulnerable groups of our society and most of the trafficked victims are from them. We gave them recent information about the situation with trafficking and the ways of becoming a victim. We distributed a brochure which gives very good information and advice how to prevent becoming a modern day slave.



7. Afterschool Project

The studies with the children continue till the end of the school year in the 5 places. We work in partnership with “The Gypsy Project”. The leaders and the helpers meet with the children every day after school and help the Roma children to learn their lessons and be better at school.



In this period of time we had several meetings in Sliven and in Kotel with the team, the pastors and the potential leaders. We want to grow and reach two

new cities – Sliven and Kotel. For now, it is sure we will start a new project in Sliven in September. In Kotel we still need to find the right person to be the leader.

We took all 156 Roma children to The Nature Museum in two days in March. It was such an exciting day for the children. Most of them they never visited a museum and all interesting animals, fish, minerals, etc. It was a very special day for all of them.



Here is wonderful testimony for the good results of the project:

Borislav, or Bobby to his friends, is 11 years old and is part of a Roma community in Bulgaria. Many of the Roma find themselves on the fringes of society, ostracized and judged by mainstream communities. This often leaves these communities without access to education and susceptible to the ongoing cycle of poverty.

When Bobby started at The Gypsy Project, he did not know the alphabet and so basic literacy was far from possible. But thanks to the incredible tutors at the project, now Bobby is beginning read and write, and is growing in his academic studies. Not only that, but the project also sows into the spiritual wellbeing of each child, through biblical classes and stories.

Bobby is now more confident than ever before, not only in his learning but in himself. He is determined to continue his schooling, to build a new future for himself and his family. He said, "My parents could not complete their education and fulfil their dreams, but I am fighting for it and giving my best!"



8. Other events

In March there was a big conference in Sofia – Journeying Together 2023, organized by “World Without Orphans”. There were many people from different countries working with orphans, foster families and adoptive families.

We made contact and some future plans with the organization “Bulgaria Without Orphans”.

We also take part in a monthly online training program, called “Children at risk”.



Future Plans

- **We have a graduation for Bible school students in June and also internship for them in July-August among Bulgarian Muslims, named Pomaks in The Rodoppa Mountains.**
- **Summer Bible study camps for Roma and Bulgarian children in July and August.**
- **Continue helping Ukrainian and Syrian refugees.**