



# HÁROM GALAMB NEWSLETTER - 2024

*We're becoming ever richer. We are watching, with a sense of warmth, the growth in the gestures of our young people, their attention to each other, the unfolding of friendships and strengthening of bonds. A feeling of homeliness hovers over our days.*



✂ We are remembering our first **sleepover summer camp** with feelings of nostalgia. The Írisz Campsite at Izvorul Crisului served as an exciting venue. The colourful program of the days offered inclusive presentations, workshops, eurythmy, morning gymnastic, outdoor games, weaving activities, drama, theme evenings on cinema, disco and bonfire. Next year we will return.



✂ Thanks to the funding of the Diakónia Christian Foundation, we could create another rich program. The first station of this was joining the **Bible week** at the village church. Getting to know the



children and young people of the village, playing together, listening to the teachings, we are joining with growing confidence with the local Christian community life. The next gathering was held together with the pupils and teachers of class VII. from the Dr. Palló Imre Art School, music profile. Using social painting and the Kett method, we worked with the story of Saint Martin. We were acquainted with the feelings of selflessness, devotion, looking for our talents, our inner light together.

✂ Our **group of colleagues grew**, to our delight. Margit Murzán is complementing our activities as a gardener. The garden renewed, got richer, more transparent and brought plenty crops through her loving care. Agnes Soó arrived with her many years spent in Camphill communities, her gifts in fine arts, offering beautiful therapeutic sessions for our young people.



Two **new volunteers** arrived this autumn through the Youth Association from Transylvania, Rachel from Spain and Réka from



Hungary. They are getting to know our activities, our young people, as they acquaint themselves with the different tasks, so that they can get more and more effectively involved.



✧ In September we held a versatile and meaningful **professional training**, with the title: “Creating a nurturing and therapeutic environment for body, soul and spirit”. The trainers arrived from Scotland, from Camphill Schools Aberdeen, Viebeke Alfred and Laurence Alfred. They shared their many years of experience in different roles of coordinating, teaching and therapeutic work with the participating curative educators, experts from the social sector, parents. It was a professionally valuable day and at the same time, enriching for the soul.

✧ This year’s **Run For It fundraising sport event** was held again in a great atmosphere with jogging, cycling, walking, followed by eating together and thanksgiving. Our ambassadors were collecting donations so well, that this year again we doubled our target sum. From the collected funds we would like to insulate our garden shed and fit it with doors and windows.



✧ The autumn cannot pass without the **wine harvest ball**. It was a special joy, that most of our young people put on their traditional dresses, thus giving a special meaning to this celebration. We enjoyed a wonderful autumn procession together with the young people of the Gondviselés partner organisation and the children and adults of the Social Service Centre from Cristuru Secuiesc. We arrived to the courtyard of the Gondviselés, sitting on 4 horse carts, accompanied by fiddle music and singing, where we continued with celebration, harvest dancing and a shared meal.

✧ **The musician couple** from Chicago, **Jutta Distler and Terran Doehrer** paid us a visit this year again. This time we had a joint musical event with the pupils and teachers of the local school in Porumbenii Mari. They played for us Danish, Greek, Jewish, Turkish, Serbian and Gipsy songs, then introduced us to circle dances from different folk traditions.



✧ The coming weeks will be filled with preparation for the **Advent markets**, with quiet creative activities, where the parents of our young people will join us too, so that we can tune into the mood of Christmas together.

*With gratitude in our hearts for this past time, that gave us such precious occasions, through which our young people could show their talents.*