



I was blessed to be a part of Camp Good News again this summer. It has been an awesome week of camp; everything was very organized and thought well. By the end of the week the children said the camp was interesting and exciting and that they learned many things they never heard of before. They learned about God and His Son, Jesus Christ, they learned something opposite from what they have been taught in school, that people were created by God.

We had new people on the Moldovan team and we all together decided to offer the kids the best camp ever, by working together and bringing glory to God.

From all the days spent at camp one was really special to me, the evening we had the bon fire at camp. I was responsible for making the cross for that evening and I asked Alex (a 17 year old boy that was the camp director's grandchild, who was hanging out at camp all the time and helping with sound equipment) where I could get two bigger wood logs to make a cross and he came along to help find wood and make the cross. While making the cross and talking to each other, the gardener saw us and told Alex not to help me to make the cross and get away from there. It really seemed weird to me why the gardener would say something like this to Alex, but I understood as the gardener continued to tell Alex that he would get in trouble if he continues to help me in making the cross. The gardener told Alex we were planning to burn that cross, questioning what kind of Christians we were. Alex asked me if that was true, and I explained to him why we were making the cross and what the program was for later that evening and asked him to join us. I also explained to Alex, why Jesus is not on the cross unlike the orthodox cross that has Jesus on it, because Jesus is not dead on the cross but he died and rose. Thus, the Cross is the symbol of His sacrifice.



Later that evening we all gathered and a message of Jesus' sacrifice was shared with all the campers, explaining that God forgives our sins and remembers them no more when we come



to Him asking for forgiveness. The bon fire was started and the kids one by one came to the cross asking for God's forgiveness and throwing the posted note with their sins written on into the fire. It was a great blessing to see Alex going to the cross, asking for forgiveness and throwing his little piece of paper into the fire.

I was blessed to be a part of Camp Good News this year again, I will continue to pray for the children that were at camp and especially Alex, I pray I can do it again next year and see my friends from Causeni and Alex.