



Already Gone!

Is the title of a book by Ken Ham and is one that challenges those of us who are in Children's Ministry.

Based on a survey that was done by Barna Research and Ken Ham, the study shows that children in High School have already gone from Church, not as we thought as students or in late teens, but by the age of 13-15 they have **already gone**.

This book could be a sombre perspective of all the efforts of the workers involved in children's ministry...

But instead of being discouraged by this information we realise we have to do something. We want to look at how we can help our Sunday School Teachers & Home Bible club leaders be more equipped and trained in teaching the children. We work and pray for this generation of children that they will not be **Already Gone** by the time they are old enough to make decisions on their own and to serve the Lord.

It's a battle for their minds and souls to attract them outside the protection of God's laws, outside the church.

The time to intervene in their lives is now, before they are **Already gone**, away from God, in their hearts.

The truth is that the world puts such a pressure on children to conform to it's ways. Romania is shaken at the moment awaiting a decision from the Norwegian authorities concerning 5 children with dual "citizenship"(Norwegian and Romanian). They have been taken by force away from their biological parents who are Christians, just because one of the girls had been singing a Christian song in their class at school.

The authorities from Norway have even started the adoption procedure to give these children to „better” parents who probably are long ago **Already gone** from the church.

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Our aim is to be a real centre of excellence in child evangelism and to give the children of Romania the very best we can.

We have **ALREADY** started the registration for our Summer camps for this year...it's a very intense time for all the CPC team.

Enrolling children, leaders, cooks, helpers, finances, Sunday Schools groups from churches, Home Bible clubs, all the teaching materials and visuals, the camp book for this Summer...all must be worked on alongside all the other monthly training days, weekend training and winter camps that are planned already.

We are planning two weekends in the spring to gather the potential younger lads and girls to instruct them to be leaders in the camp with a vision. We feel we have to help them get a heart for serving the Lord, before they are **ALREADY GONE** with other plans for the Summer.

We continue to be amazed at the changes that have **ALREADY** taken place in the lives of the children in Casa Harry. Iasmina who has just turned nine recently was overheard saying: *I want to stay in CH till I die*. We were very touched by these words coming from a child. May she remain so grateful all her life!

Our deputation visit is on the way with the preparation of dates, for churches, home groups, and travel... everything must be planned and arranged. So many things to be done before we are **Already gone** for UK. on 23rd February till 17th March.

If you would like an update on the work please contact: Catherine Ferries - cfc.scotland@btinternet.com it may not be too late.

Twenty four years have **Already gone** since our first camp in 1993, God is faithful and has sustained us through many troubles.

We are looking forward to what He will do 'God Willing' this summer, in the lives of the boys and girls and our young leaders.

Praise the Lord for:

- His provision over the past year both financially and physically.
- All the trainings and camps we managed to sustain with His help.

Please pray for:

- The concentration problems of young Alex 9 yrs old and stays in Casa Harry. He demands very much attention in order to do his homework for school.
- The winter camp from 5th to 7th February. We will have around 35 children from Metanoia church, their friends and other small groups. We trust that they will be challenged to grow in their faith.
- The continuing need of a loving and devoted person able to work alongside Paul and Cristina in Casa Harry. A lady has been approached and we are awaiting her response.

2015 has **Already gone** and we would like to wish you all a very Blessed and Happy New Year.

From the CpC team, Wilma, Vio, Casi, Alexandra, Dani