

## **Amendment of JONAS Newsletter in December 2022**

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Dear Jonas Friends,

~~We must be grateful that the pandemic is under control. Medical science has~~  
done a great deal towards this. The present restrictions are acceptable for everyone.

But the present worries in connection with the shortage of energy and the rise in prices associated with the Ukrainian war concern us very much.

Our friends in Romania must also adjust to this special situation. Many refugees have fled into the country to be free from the active fighting. The mayor of Florest asked the Jonas Society for help. Jonas helped the needy with clothing and bedlinen.

The war situation is probably, among other things, the reason why the new building for the handi-capped has not yet been completed. The daily costs after the completion of the building must be considered once more. The payment for the carers has greatly increased. Permission from the authorities has not been given in all matters. Presumably permission will be given next February. Building material is at the moment difficult or impossible to get.

Friends of Jonas here would gladly have travelled to Florest with me this year. However we decided not to do so because , on the one hand, the costs have risen so much, and on the other hand, we wanted to see the new building. Because of Corona and the refugee situation, the demands on those responsible are much higher. There is much more poverty now in Romania than before the crisis.

A visit to Romania is planned for 2023.

During 2022 our activities were confined to collecting the most urgent items such as linen and articles for personal hygiene. Therefore we organised two transports to Romania. In November the expected shoeboxes were included. These were as usual packed and donated by the ladies of the Inner-Wheel Bremen-Hansa. Tears of joy could be seen by those who received the boxes!

Unfortunately we have to point out that this was presumably our last transport. As we still have the use of the storage-box we will accept special articles such as rollators and wheelchairs etc. We will then organise a transport. We will continue to send parcels with medicine but clothing will no longer be sent.

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Regular payment for the upkeep and repairs to the house, storeroom and grounds are of course still needed.

My special thanks go to the InnerWheel Club and the club in Northern Germany (District 85), the church congregations and to the private doners of money and goods

For Advent and Christmas I wish you all the best and a peaceful and happy New Year.

Keep well all of you.

With love and Christmas wishes from Renate