

"We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God." – 2 Corinthians 5:20

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This chunky baby is one month old!!

We're going home!

If you've ever said that you love the smell of babies, I'm here to officially correct you. No, you don't. You love the smell of Johnson&Johnson baby soap on your baby! Because I have had the pleasure of smelling my baby after a weeklong hospital stay where he had only two outfits, a ton of mucus-induced spit up, and no way to take a bath. And that baby smell is definitely not something you would savor!!

But what I AM able to savor is how the Lord has been good to me even through the hard. Elin and Atticus have, overall, done really well! Denton still has a bit of a cough and some congestion but otherwise is doing great. We never had to go to the ICU. I have a much better understanding of what other Romanians experience and feel as though God can only use that to help us empathize more and be better ministers of His love and grace. I will do everything I can to avoid another public hospital stay, but I'm also grateful for what the Lord has taught me and how He has shown His goodness in the midst of this. He's teaching me to be content in all circumstances. I've also gotten a unique glimpse into how beautiful the Body of Christ can be, as people from literally around the globe were sending encouraging messages, giving medical help and advice, praying, providing meals for our family, babysitting, and connecting me with people who can help me here in Bucharest.

Derek is here with us now and we're just waiting on our discharge papers to go home. THANK YOU for all of the ways you have supported our family over the last week. We are so grateful.

With love,
Catalina and the crew



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