

Help is needed

As a **mercy ministry** for the poorest of the poor, the work of Amaro Tan school can only be financed through donations.

You can invest into the lives of these children and their families through your financial contributions.

The following expenses need to be covered in order for one child to attend Amaro Tan:

For only

\$ 150 a month

\$ 35 a week

\$ 1 800 a year

25 € a week

100 € a month

1 200 € a year

one girl or boy can attend Amaro Tan, and additionally benefit from social and medical assistance.

Whether you choose to contribute with a one-time financial gift or want to commit for a regular donation, you help us provide security, education, hope and a future to these children.

Your gift is greatly appreciated!

Financial transparency and the responsible use of funding is our obligation. As an organization, we do our best to manage funds effectively and without compromise in quality. **Only 7% of your donations will go to administrative and overhead expenses in Albania.**

You can find more information about Nehemia on our website:

www.nehemia-al.org

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■ Donations

Donations from the U.S.

■ Visit our cooperating mission "Global Business Assist" online: www.gba.org

■ or make checks payable to:
Global Business Assist
60 W. Terra Cotta Ave.; Ste. 197
Crystal Lake, IL 60014
(please enclose a note specifying the project)

Donations will be applied toward this endeavor (with a 10% contribution to the humanitarian projects of GBA).

Bank transfer to Albania

Nehemia Found.
ProCredit Bank
Pogradec Branch/Albania
Rr.Rinia, Pogradec, Albania
Kto: 55-002422-03-03
Swift: FEFAALTR



Today these children belong to the poorest of the poor in Albania.

With your help they can get

a chance at life

through education.



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We help children break this vicious cycle of ignorance, poverty and discrimination, that has kept their families prisoners for generations.

The private Christian school

Amaro Tan

offers education, shelter and care for poor and needy children,

regardless of their religion, gender or ethnic origin.

Primarily Gypsy and physically and mentally disabled children attend Amaro Tan.

The need

Being poor in Albania often means living in extreme poverty. The sick, disabled, Gypsies, and migrants from remote villages live on next to nothing. Their children do not attend public schools, but must work instead by begging. Victims of discrimination and without support of their indifferent and impoverished families, these children have little chance to grow up as psychologically healthy individuals.

All too often this makes children easy prey for human trafficking - a serious problem in the small Balkan country.

The Albanian health and education system provides only very limited support for children with disabilities, which is mostly unavailable to the poor.

An example of our students:

Xhulio



Xhulio (Julio) is suffering from muscular dystrophy, with no medical chances of a cure. His family of eight lives in extreme poverty and deprivation, having only recently moved to town from a remote mountain village. They receive regular support from Nehemia's social services.

Xhulio loves to go to school, where the warm and joyful atmosphere helps him forget his pain and misery.

Physiotherapy, regular food and individual care help Xhulio to live, learn and smile, when others had given up on him.



“our place”

“Amaro Tan” means

in the Gypsy language

At “their place”, the children receive more than a **good education and a daily meal.**

They experience and learn values that are so desperately lacking in their homes and families.

Very **basic skills** such as social behaviour, discipline and personal hygiene must be acquired. Various **music and art courses** help them develop their natural talents, while **vocational training** prepares the older students for life after school.

Dedicated teachers **regularly visit the families at home.** With the assistance of social workers they help with **material and medical assistance** in often difficult situations such as illiteracy, sickness and appalling poverty.

The staff tries to uncover and **counteract abuse and child trafficking.**

Children with physical or mental disabilities are integrated in the classes, and receive free **medical treatment, ergotherapy and physiotherapy.**

For many of these children it is the first time in their lives that they have experienced love and affection, or feel acceptance as a unique individual.

They get a “chance at life” indeed!



■ is a registered Protestant educational institution in Albania

■ has an approved curriculum including biblical values

■ has 135 pupils from kindergarten to 8th grade (2007)

■ has at present (2007) a staff of 20 (incl. teachers, social worker, cooks, housekeeper, etc.) This is an absolute minimum, and will be increased as soon as finances allow.

■ is financed by donations, with a yearly budget of minimum 162,000 € (\$ 243,000)

■ was founded in 2002 by the Protestant NGO “Youth with a Mission”. Beginning in January 2008 it will continue as a project of NEHEMIA Foundation, following years of previous cooperation.

■ is located in “Lagja 4”, one of the poorest districts in the small Albanian town of Pogradec. The facilities have been constructed with the support of the mission organization “Hope for Albania”.