

**NPC Children's Ministry activities with the
Children's Ministry of the "Light" Church,
Pomoriye community, Burgas, Bulgaria
Summer 2021-Present (Fall 2023)**



NPC visitors Howard Frost (far left) and Debbie Cole (center) enjoy a visit with children of the “Light” Church in Pomoriye (2019). These children expressed an interest in knowing the children at NPC better.



Children pray before their meal (left) and enjoy a nutritious lunch (below)

The ECMI ministry to the Roma children provides a nutritious but inexpensive lunch on Saturdays. Dimitrie with increased donor support expanded the program in 2023 to cover weekdays.





In normal times, the Saturday lunch program serves about 150 children four times a month for about \$200, or about 30¢ per meal.

Families receiving NPC Flex Fund donations, 2020- 2021



NPC has supported ECMI's outreach to the Roma children in several ways. In addition to the lunch effort, NPC donors have also provided funds for winter hats, gloves, scarves, and Bible story books.

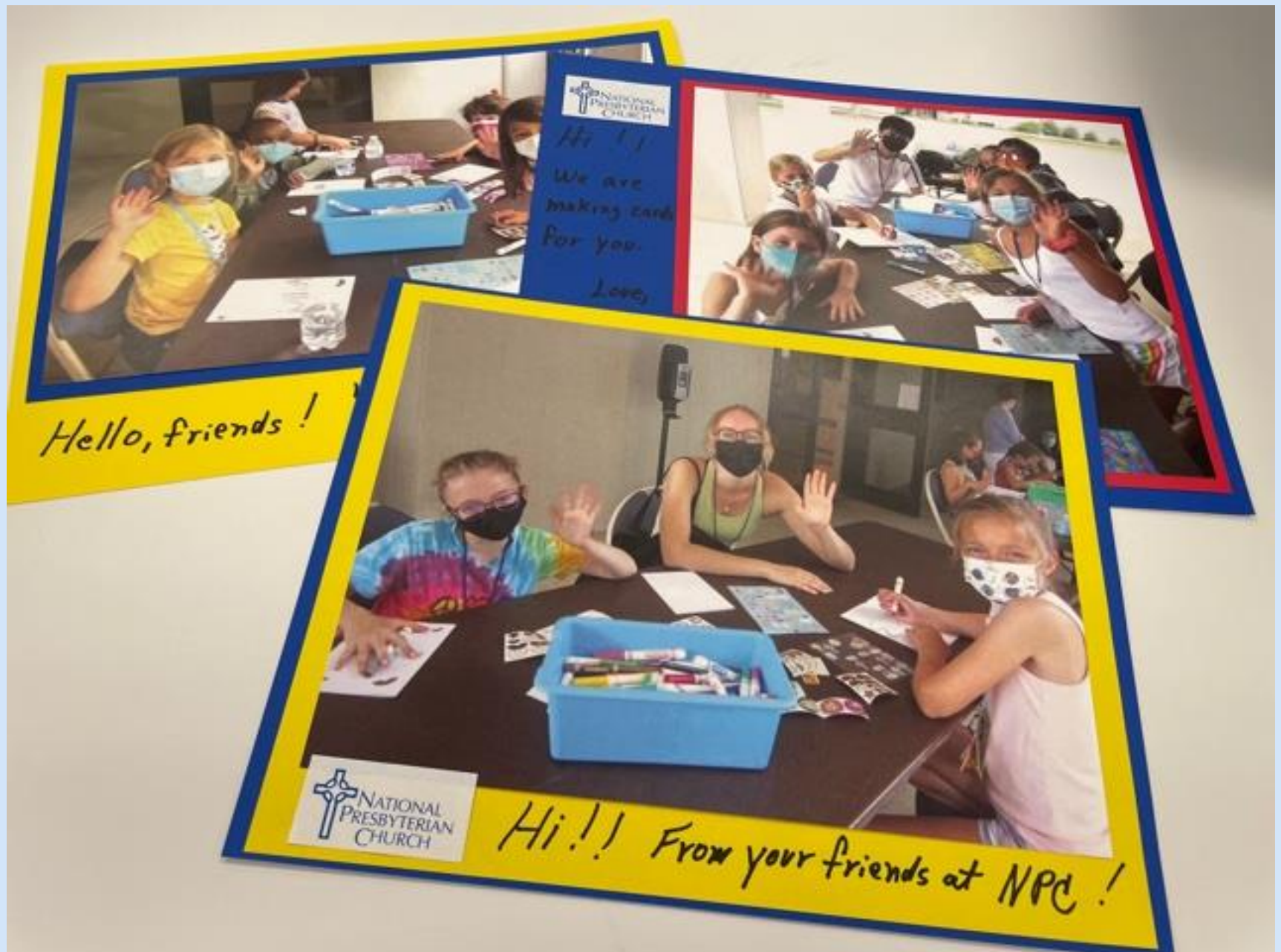


VBS at NPC, July 2021

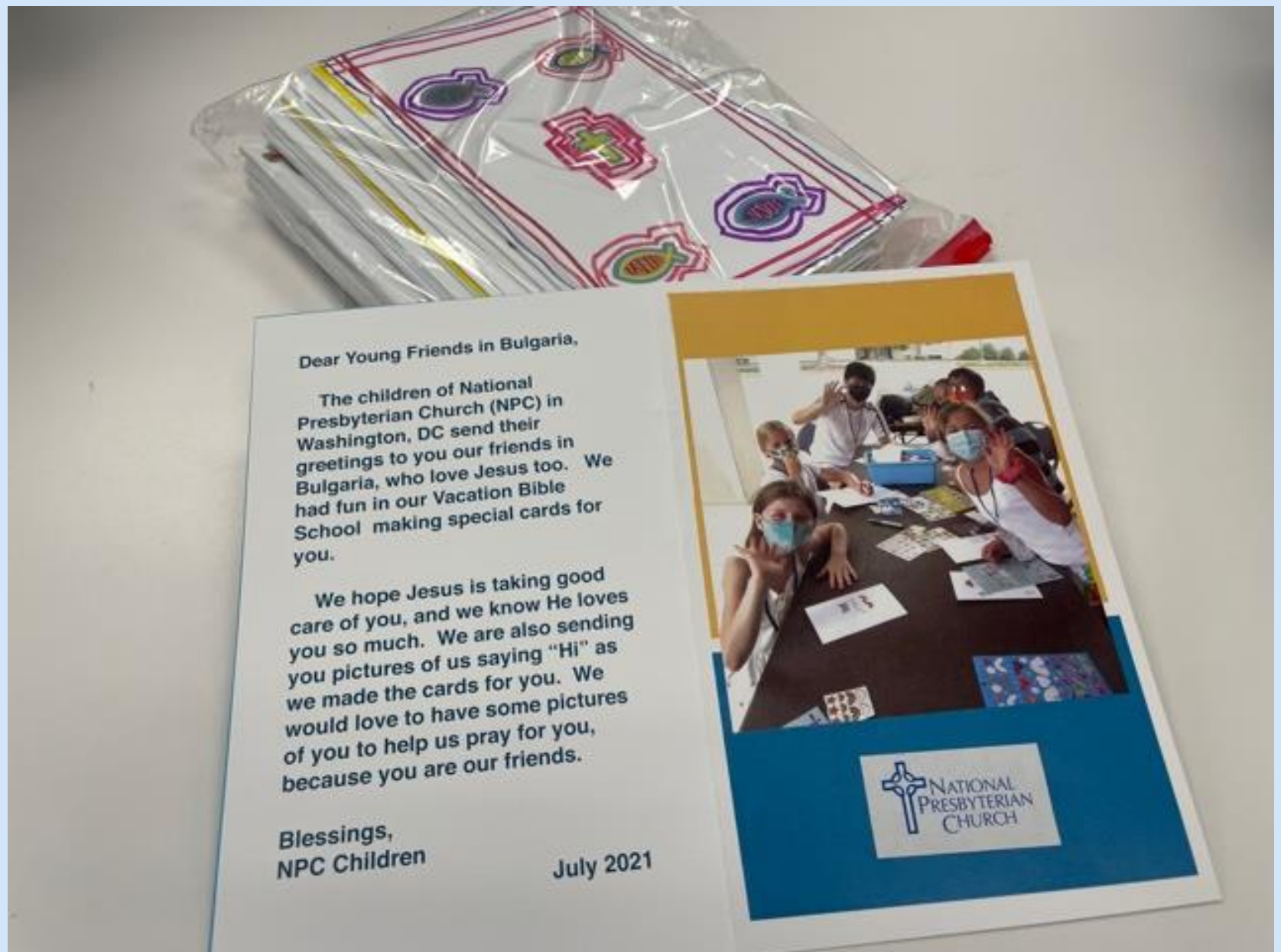


NPC children prepare
encouraging greeting cards for
Roma children in Burgas.





Cards that children at VBS sent to Bulgaria, July 2021



Dear Young Friends in Bulgaria,

The children of National Presbyterian Church (NPC) in Washington, DC send their greetings to you our friends in Bulgaria, who love Jesus too. We had fun in our Vacation Bible School making special cards for you.

We hope Jesus is taking good care of you, and we know He loves you so much. We are also sending you pictures of us saying "Hi" as we made the cards for you. We would love to have some pictures of you to help us pray for you, because you are our friends.

Blessings,
NPC Children

July 2021



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Roma children reading VBS cards, summer 2021

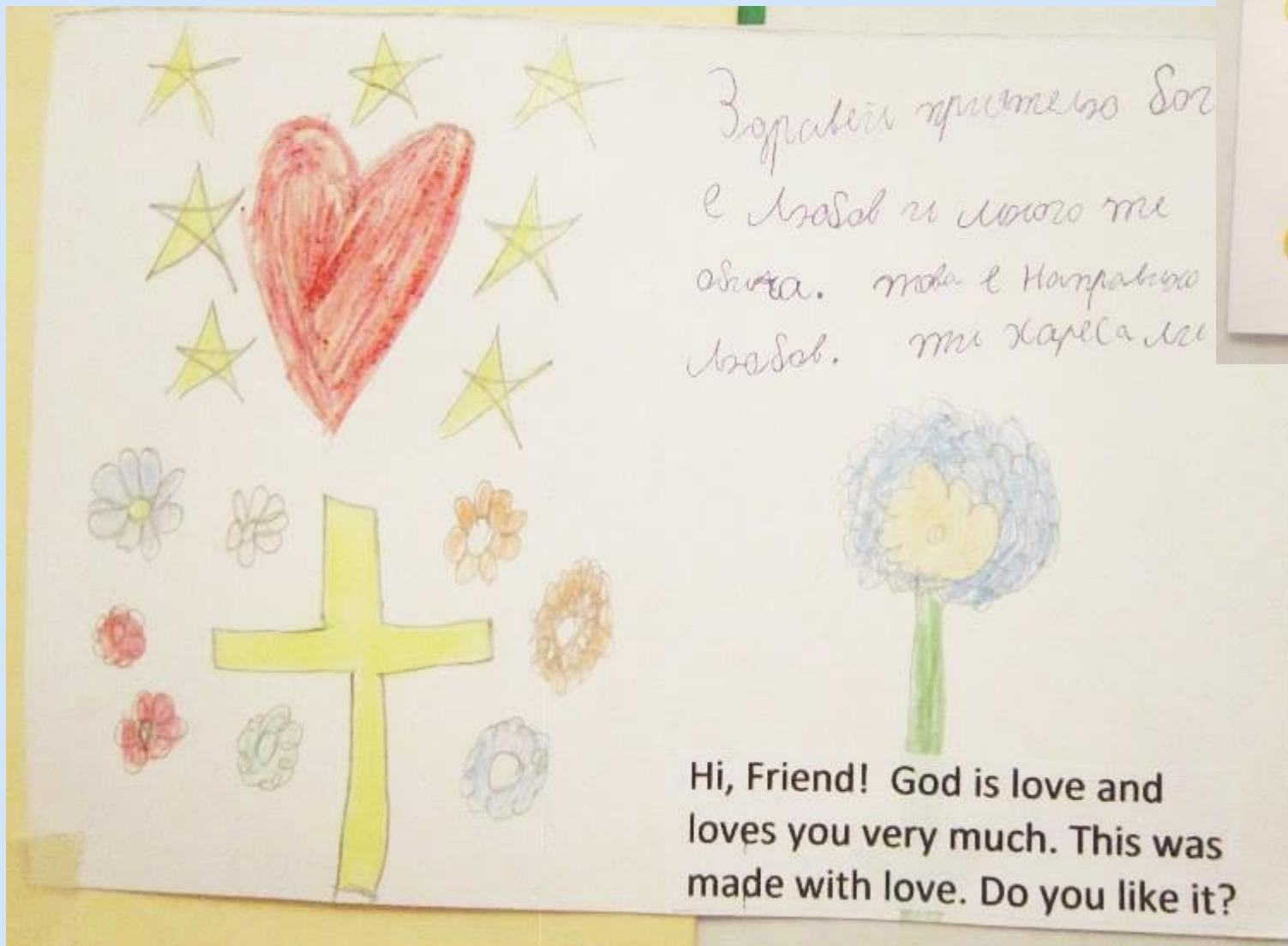




Roma children making cards for NPC, fall 2021



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Cards that Roma children sent to NPC, November 2021



Making cards at NPC's
Advent Workshop, 2021





Bulgarian cards (on poster)
and NPC Advent Workshop
cards (on table)

Sign says:
“Merry Christmas!”
“Jesus Loves You!”

“Thanks for the cards!”
“We really like them!”



NPC's Christmas cards arrive in Bulgaria, December 2021



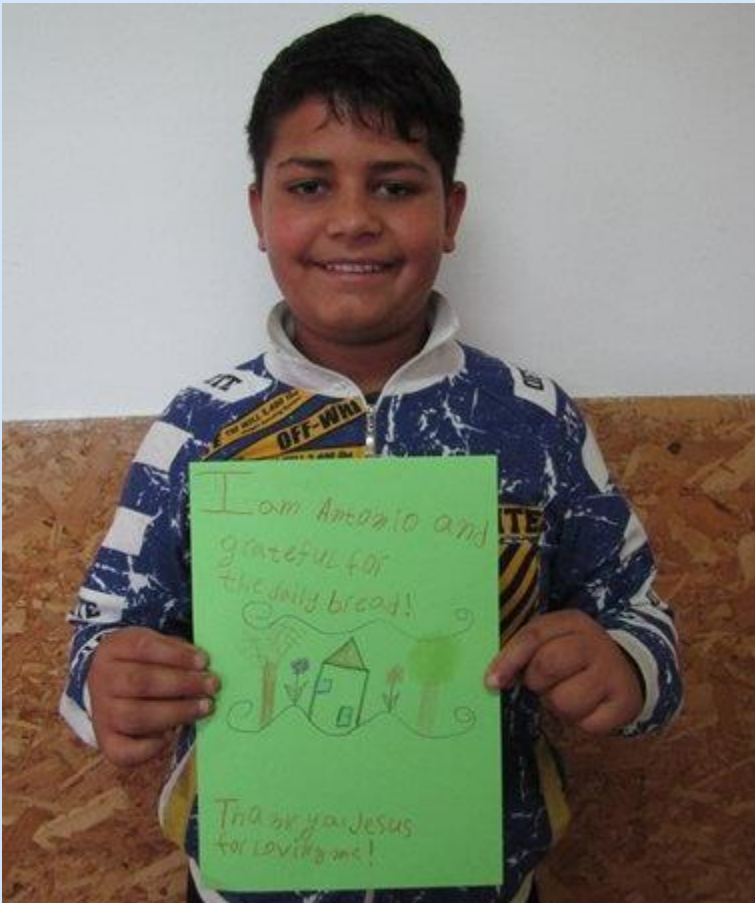
Donations from NPC, VPC,
and other churches funded
gloves, hats, scarves, and
children's Bibles, December
2021



Roma children prepare “I’m thankful for...” cards, Spring 2022



Sample of Roma children's "Thankful cards"



Antonio

"I am thankful for daily bread."



Margarita

"I am thankful for God's love."

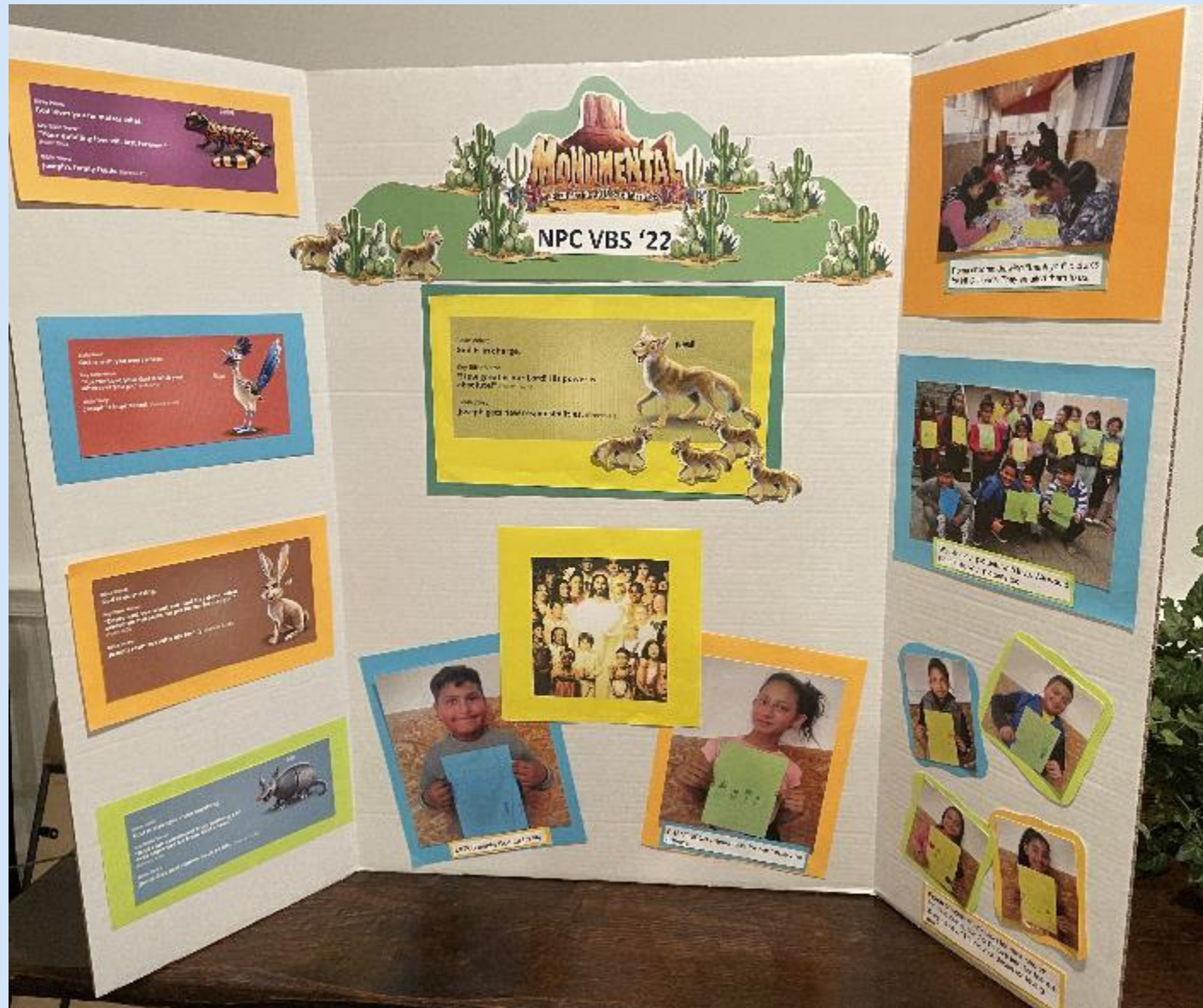
Roma children's "Thankful cards," Spring 2022



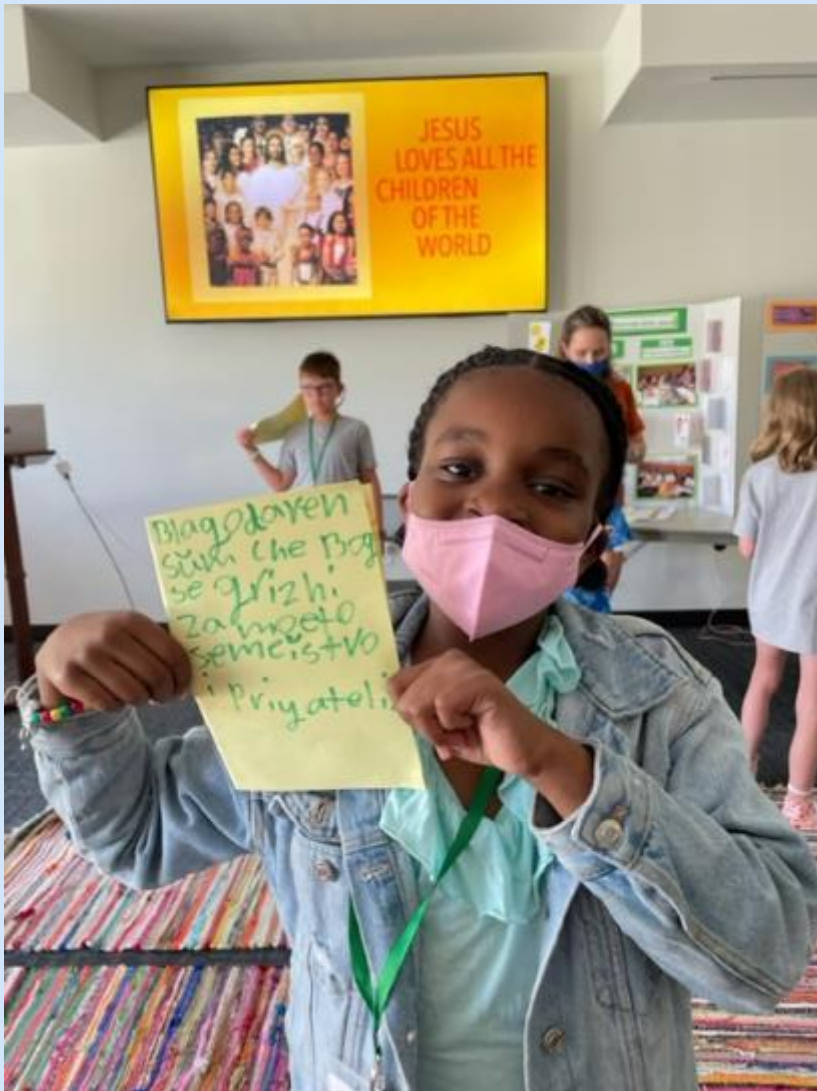
Roma children's "Thankful card" messages, Spring 2022

- Meri: "I am thankful for God's love."
- Stanka: "I am grateful that I can visit the church."
- Fanny: "I am grateful for my friends."
- Mitko: "I am grateful for my life."
- Ivanka: "I am grateful I can visit the church."
- Francesca: "I am grateful for my family and friends."
- Sangbo: "I am grateful for my home, sunshine, and trees."
- Margarita: "I am thankful for God's love."
- Antonio: "I am thankful for daily bread."

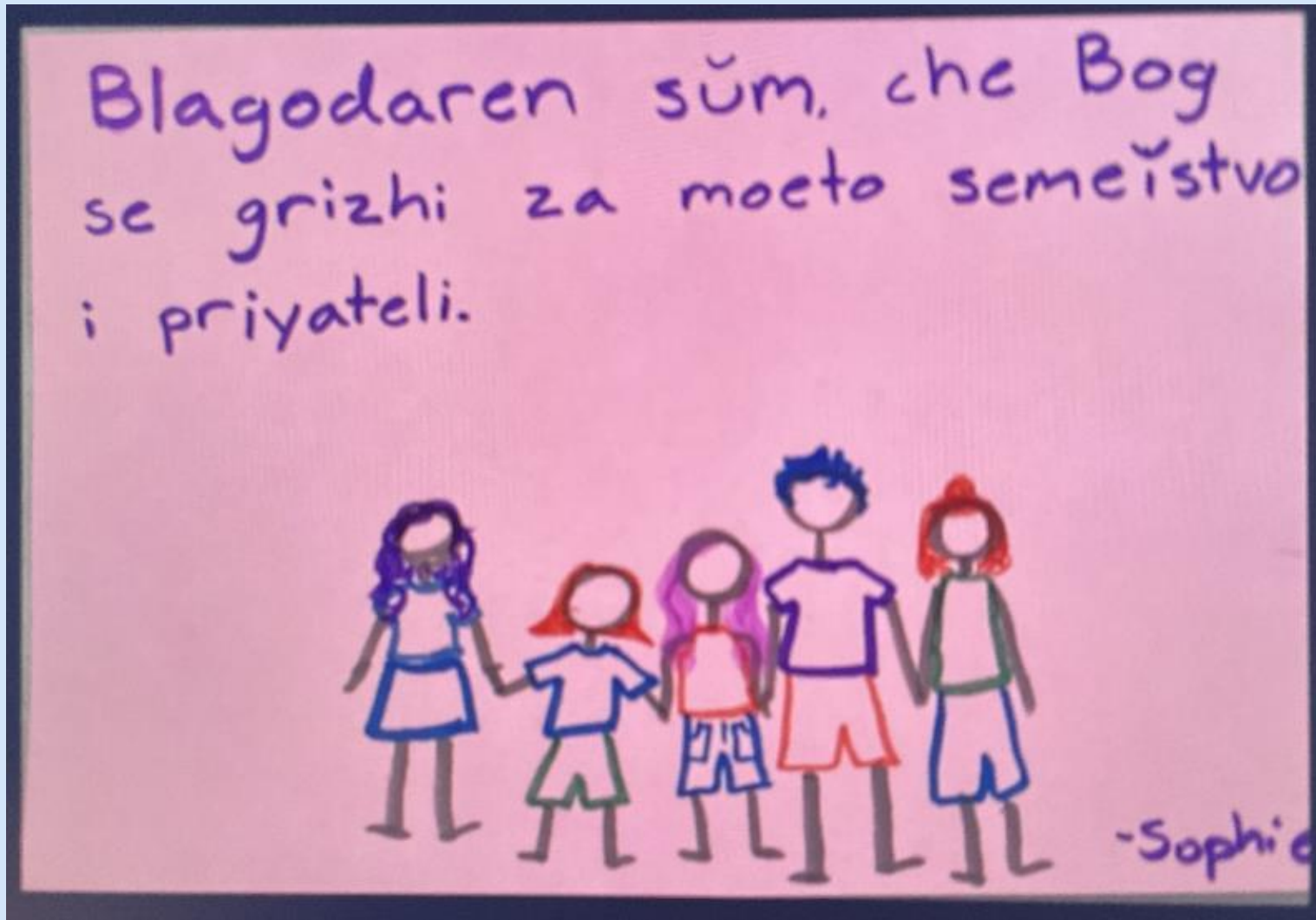
Roma "Thankful cards" displayed for VBS, July 2022



NPC children prepare “Thankful cards,” July 2022



NPC children prepare “Thankful cards,” July 2022



“I am thankful God cares for my family and friends.”

NPC children's "Thankful cards," July 2022



Children at the 2023 NPC VBS



The children's sign says "Glory to God," a traditional greeting among Bulgarian Christians. One mission presentation during the week addressed Bulgaria.