

NEWS FLASH



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Dear Friends of OGT Mid-Atlantic Branch,

Summer is flying - or maybe I should say frying – but we are staying busy! We have executed a **Letter of Intent to rent 10 Mill Park Ct, Newark, DE**. That is the last step before lease. We are anticipating moving the warehouse in early September – maybe a different kind of Labor Day. Toward that end, we are working to reduce inventory hoping to ship to Liberia August 5 and to a cold weather country August 12. -Rob Hall



Keep praying. Our excellent tenant rep, Zach Lasorsa with Atlas Realty Advisors has been and continues being an incredible asset in our warehouse search.



Ruth Hewlett and Mary Lou McKee greeted about 40 families who stopped by our table, **June 25 from 10-12, when our branch had a table at Penn Township Summer Kick Off Party**. Some moms expressed interest in volunteering and many were thrilled to know of a place they could donate used clothes! The next event we will attend will be **Saturday, August 1 from 2:00-6:00 pm** at the Sunset Park Day and Car Show. Penn

Township will be promoting a clothing drive for us that day.

It's getting to be that time again **FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS** fund raiser sponsored by **Boscov's** Department stores. For a **\$5 donation to Orphan Grain Train Mid-Atlantic Branch you receive a shopping pass for 25% off** of most items at any Boscov's on Wednesday, October 21, 2026. Purchases can also be made online on that day. If interested in obtaining a pass, contact Sandy O'Hedy s.ohedy116@comcast.net or any OGT volunteer at the warehouse on any Wednesday or Saturday. This is a small fundraiser for OGT MAB, which will need more funds with the move to a different warehouse. -Sandy O'Hedy

Once again, the Lord provided a beautiful day for loading a container – bright sun and cool breeze! On Wednesday, June 25, 2026, Mid-Atlantic Branch volunteers hand-packed 1,100 boxes of clothing, shoes, bedding, toys, school supplies, Bibles and hymnals, plus 100 pieces of medical equipment and bicycles.

Pastor Eisaks of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Pampali, Latvia, eagerly awaits

the container for distribution to several regional parishes. We pray for a speedy journey. Thank you, Mid-Atlantic volunteers! Several students from Liberia helped our team load! -Carla Niesen.



The **Jennersville branch of the YMCA** graciously ran a collection drive for us in the month of June targeting bedding and towels. They had a wonderful response and we picked up multiple truckloads of items, keeping Ruth Hewlett busy packing them all for shipment! Thank you to Nic Legere, Executive Director and Lynn Doughten Pagan, Executive Assistant for all their support in making it happen!



Hopewell United Methodist Church Youth Group had a busy day packing health kits and helping sort and pack clothes on Wednesday, June 17. They brought smiles and energy to all of us. Well done and thank you!

We have a wonderful new group of **students from the Chester County Intermediate Unit's Transitional Learning Program**, coming on Wednesdays. Roger finds a multitude of different jobs to give them opportunities to learn and help us.

Mary Lou McKee, Communications Manager, MAB