Well even though the newsletters have slowed down lately, shipments and meeting needs have not. There have been all sorts of groups in and out despite the crazy weather- Red Hat group, UJ college students, foreign exchange students, church groups, LLL group. We are always very appreciate of the younger adults that come and do the heavy lifting and unloading of trailers full of donated items, and Mercy Meal product. Some other noteworthy things to share about God working. We were given a lot of great heavy duty dressers from the University of Jamestown last fall. And wouldn’t you know all throughout the fall and winter Social Services continued to have need of them for people right here in Jamestown. So they are all in homes all throughout Jamestown getting used once again! Or the day we received a washer and dryer and that very day someone needed both! God continues to provide and we are blessed to see all this in action.

We have received word that it has arrived. The schools and the children continue to be so grateful for the supplies and food especially. Liberia is still in a state of chaos and food is short. Having these meals available has increased attendance and provided a healthy meal to these children, and most importantly they get to hear the truth that God loves them greatly and bring them hope in Christ. Sadly they still are only able to offer only 2 meals a week. We hope to send more to them. The need is great! Mercy Meals of North Dakota continues to have a great response. Andrea has been busy taking supplies all over the state and making events happen! She was even able to have an event at the most recent NAIA women’s wrestling tournament in Jamestown, ND. How awesome is that?! One last note about Liberia- they are receiving and distributing feminine kits. I know there are a few of you out there who have asked if they are being used- YES!!

We got word on the Laredo shipment. The medical equipment from from South Dakota finally made it across the border! Praise the Lord! One last thing to share. If visiting either Liberia or Mexico to see the places these items go, to meet the people you are impacting, to get a better feel for the ministry and opportunities at hand, you can contact Kirk Rosin. He has connections in both locations and a trip like that could possibly happen.

We were blessed to be able to send over 170,000 Mercy Meals plus books, school supplies, desks and clothing to the schools in Liberia at the end of January.
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   • For God’s blessings and wisdom to be bestowed upon this ministry.

2. Volunteers
   • Mondays and Saturdays 9am-12noon. Call Sue Corwin 320-3259 to schedule your group to volunteer. If it is just you - come!

3. Cash donations to pay for shipping, because:
   • The avg cost to ship a box of donated goods is $11 and the avg cost to sponsor a full shipping container overseas is $9000.

4. Infant supplies
   • Cloth and Disposable diapers. The cloth goes overseas and the disposable are used stateside. Cloth is preferred.
   • Layettes (instructions on website: http://www.ogt.org/help/projects/) Please substitute 2 wash cloths instead of wipes.
   • Clean toys

5. Medical Equipment and Supplies
   • Bandages and tapes
   • Bed & Bath Linens, sheets (adult and crib sizes)
   • Disposable gowns and gloves
   • Hospitable beds (hand crank with vinyl mattresses)
   • Prosthetic limbs
   • Walkers, wheel chairs, crutches and canes
   • Stethoscopes, blood pressure cuffs, and otoscopes
   • Call the main office in NE (402-371-7393)

6. Drug Store Items - almost any non-prescription item you can buy in a drug store- for example:
   • Hygiene Kits also called Mercy Kits (instructions on website: http://www.ogt.org/help/projects/)
   • Shampoo
   • Sanitary products for women
   • Toothbrushes and toothpaste
   • Diapers for adults and babies
   • Feminine Kits: http://www.ogt.org/help/projects/

7. School Supplies
   • Backpacks (student sizes)
   • New coloring books, crayons, glue, scissors, rulers, tape, new ballpoint pens & pencils
   • Writing paper & notebooks
   • Children’s Library Books and Encyclopedias
   • School Kit (instructions on website: http://www.ogt.org/help/projects/)
   • Sports equipment such as soccer balls
   • Desks, chairs
   • Chalkboards
   • Construction Paper

8. Non-breakable kitchen accessories
   • Pots and Pans
   • Plastic plates, plastic cups
   • Knives, forks, and spoons

9. Clothing (CLEAN good condition, used or new)
   • Adult, Infant and children’s clothes
   • Shoes clean and wearable
   • New underwear (only) all ages and sizes (customs officials will levy fines if used underwear is sent in our shipments)
   • Socks (clean good condition used or new)

   PLEASE BRING CLOTHING TO THE WAREHOUSE IN BOXES if possible

10. Quilts, comforters, blankets, towels, washcloths, sheets
    • All sizes are needed
    • We ship quilts, blankets, & comforters year-round

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Bring or send clothing and other in-kind donations to the closest regional branch to you which is:
The NORTH DAKOTA BRANCH
103 4th Ave SE, Jamestown, ND 58401
Warehouse open: Mondays 9am - 12noon
Saturdays 9am - 12noon
email: ndogt9@gmail.com

The main office/warehouse is in Norfolk, NE:
606 W Phillip Ave, Norfolk, NE 68701.
ph: 402-371-7393
email: email@ogt.org
Fax: 402-371-7350
Warehouse/Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9am-4p CST

To support the ND Branch send checks or money orders payable to
North Dakota Branch Orphan Grain Train
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Jamestown, ND 58402-1546

To contribute by credit card, Click “DONATE NOW” at:
www.ogt.org. GO to *FUND and select North Dakota.

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Mission Statement

In loving response to Christ, the Servant, the Orphan Grain Train movement encourages and enables God's people to share personal and material resources in bringing Christ's name and character to needy people both far and near. Sometimes that character expresses itself as a word well spoken, sometimes as a bandage well applied, and sometimes as a child well fed.

What is Orphan Grain Train?

Orphan Grain Train is a 501c3 Nonprofit Christian volunteer network that shares personal and material resources with needy people in America and in 68 countries around the world. Grain Train volunteers gather donations of clothing, medical supplies, food, Christian literature, and other aid to meet real needs. The Orphan Grain Train movement is a loving response to Jesus Christ’s example as a servant and His love for us.

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