Dear Tessa,

**VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT**

Orphan Grain Train is powered by its volunteers, and **Bonnie Jordan** is one of the best!

Bonnie came to OGT 17 years ago as the result of meeting Elfie Eberle and learning about the Orphan Grain Train mission. She’s seen OGT grow, establish a warehouse, conduct various fund raisers and activities, and ship humanitarian aid to people around the globe. Bonnie has been the leader of our “OGTeam” that spearheads fundraising and takes part in local events to gain community awareness.

When Bonnie isn’t volunteering at OGT she is a fulltime Realtor for Long and Foster Real Estate. She and husband Don recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. They have three daughters. Two are within walking distance of their home and one is in Colorado. They are blessed with four grandchildren. She is a lifelong member of St. Paul’s Lutheran Church in Glen Burnie. Bonnie enjoys working in the yard and nurturing her lawn and flower beds.

In Bonnie’s words "OGT is all about helping others and spreading the Gospel. OGT has become a family with an incredible group of people that give of themselves to help others. Our volunteers are the wind beneath our wings. Don't be surprised when you find blessings in places you didn't expect."

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**CAMEROON ORPHANAGE BEING ESTABLISHED BY PASTOR SAM FROUISOU AND YOU CAN HELP THIS AMAZING PROJECT MOVE FORWARD**
Pastor Sam Frouisou, the Dean of the faculty of the Seminary of Central Africa in Yaounde Cameroon, is working to establish an orphanage for 100 children who have lost their parents and need help.

The very stringent government requirements to establish an orphanage include providing education, health care, and of course housing. Orphan Grain Train is sending a container with items from Pastor Sam’s "needs list" to include desks and chairs, beds and linens, as well as cupboards and tables, school supplies, medical supplies and hygiene supplies, solar lights, bicycles, and much more.

Here is a list of some of the items that are urgently needed. We are looking for your help by providing monetary donations, or these actual items. If you are donating items and bringing them to the warehouse, we accept donations on Tuesdays (9-12 and 5-7) and the 2nd Saturday of the month from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Cameroon donations should be bagged or boxed, and marked with "Cameroon Orphanage". If making a financial donation, please indicate that it is for the Cameroon Orphanage. Thank you for your kind and generous spirit!

**HYGIENE SUPPLIES** to include band-aids, cotton balls, hand sanitizer, Q-tips, bar soap, body lotion, toothbrushes, hair combs, deodorants (expiration must be 2 years out), and nail clippers.

**MEDICINAL SUPPLIES** to include Tylenol or Ibuprofen (can be generic) with expiration 2 years out, multivitamins (children’s chewable or otherwise with expiration 2 years out, thermometers, sanitary pads

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES** to include crayons, pencils, pencil sharpeners, rulers, paper (spiral notebooks or composition books), and craft scissors.

**GARDEN TOOLS** to include hoses, trowels, hoes, shovels, or other garden tools.

**SEWING MACHINES** in working order with necessary parts. We will accept treadle machines.
On June 19th, a group of students from Archbishop Spalding High School helped load a shipment bound for Nicaragua. This herculean task included hospital beds, chairs, book cases, teacher desks, student desks and tables, plus 140 boxes of hospital linens, medical supplies, and 138 boxes of clothing. In addition a sonogram and a baby warmer were included!

The Orphan Grain Train warehouse is once again open for donations and the "sorting and packing" of items for shipment. If you wish to volunteer, masks are required and work tables are set up with appropriate distancing for the safety and comfort of our volunteers. We ask that all volunteers be symptom free, and observe protocols established for safety during COVID-19.

Donations must be bagged, and left at the receiving dock (there is a sign to direct you to the receiving dock area). Click here for a list of accepted donations. We are open for donations on:

- Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
- Tuesday evenings - 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- 2nd Saturday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

To volunteer, please contact Jeff Piegols at 410-461-6957, or email jpiegols@hotmail.com
SEWING SUCCESS!

Volunteers have been sewing cloth masks, scrub caps and headbands for our health care workers in response to COVID-19. In addition we have "masked" organizations, businesses, churches, and senior facilities in our area.

To date, we have made and distributed over 5,000 items. The project will be winding up in early August, after close to four months of sewing.

Our appreciation goes to all involved. One of our last tasks will be making 300 masks for orphans in Cameroon. These masks will be included with a shipment of humanitarian aid later in August.

HUMANITARIAN AID FOR LIBERIA

On July 7, a shipment was loaded for Liberia, a country on the West African coast. This is the 9th shipment provided by the Maryland branch and represents our fifth anniversary of providing humanitarian aid to this country. Our first shipment was in July 2015. The COVID-19 pandemic delayed this shipment, originally scheduled for March. This shipment included over 70 student desks, 84 student chairs, over 100 boxes of school supplies and books, along with bicycles and clothing. Once again, the most popular items were 440 solar lights, which greatly enhance the quality of life for those who experience 12 hours of darkness.

OUR VOLUNTEERS MAKE THINGS HAPPEN!

Want to volunteer and be part of a
great team effort?
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