



Orphan Grain Train

Good Tidings News -for and about - OGT Maryland

Fall 2021

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

Orphan Grain Train is powered by its volunteers, and **Apollos Hill** is one of the reasons for our success!

A resident of Millersville, Apollos works in the warehouse on Tuesdays, and helps pack the international shipments. He also brings his young professional Bible study group every month on Saturdays to help out. Additionally, Apollos is also a member of the OGT Board of Directors.



When he's not volunteering with OGT he enjoys playing piano and guitar, going to the beach, hiking and hanging out with the people from his church. Recently he and his wife Nicole took a mission trip to the Wade Center in Bluefield WV. The Wade Center is a Christian-based after school care and day care center. Apollos helped host a week-long bible school for the kids, sharing God's word through stories, games and crafts.

In Apollos' words "Orphan Grain Train is a place for me to find a servant's heart".

OGT VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PICNIC WAS A SUCCESS

On Sunday, October 3rd, Orphan Grain Train held its first Volunteer Appreciation Picnic, and it was a huge success. Over 50 people were in attendance at this family friendly event. A big thank you goes out to Bill Chalmers and The Grill at Quarterfield Station for the donation of the main entree. Blessed with beautiful fall weather, the menu was rounded out with abundant and delicious pot luck contributions. Thanks to Irene Giguere and the OGTeam for the planning, games and door prizes. This was an opportunity for the volunteers to get to know each other, and a good time was had by all.



Everyone enjoyed the lovely venue at Elvaton Park in Millersville.



HUMANITARIAN AID RECEIVED IN SOUTH SUDAN



Sun Ovens provide solar energy for meal preparation so they are a blessing to receive.



Goods from OGT's Maryland branch helped a small leper colony at Malek outside Bor town in South Sudan



There are 36 households, consisting of 150 people, in the leper colony. Our donations of humanitarian aid made a tremendous difference in their lives.

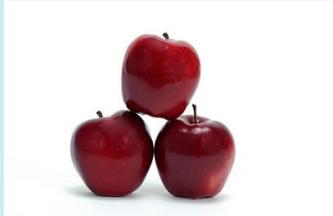
FALL APPLE SALE FUNDRAISER

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YOUR ORDER OF FRESH, TREE-RIPENED
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NEW FRUIT MARKETS



**PRESENTING:
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Here is what YOU need to know to order
fresh, tree-ripened apples to support Orphan
Grain Train in Millersville!

- (1) Place your orders at www.newfruitmarkets.com
from now until midnight on October 21st
- (2) Pick up your apples on **Sat. October 23rd** at
Orphan Grain Train from **11am to 1pm** (621 East West
Bld, Millersville, MD 21108).
- (3) Up to 30% of sales will be donated back to OGT!

Questions? Contact Carolyn at 410-693-8676 or
carolyn@newfruitmarkets.com

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HELP NEEDED FOR GIRLS AND YOUNG WOMEN IN AFRICA

Beginning in 2019, Orphan Grain Train has been making and shipping **Feminine Hygiene Kits** to enable girls and young women in several African countries to attend school during their menstrual cycles. Otherwise, these girls/women miss at least 3-5 days of school each month, as they have no sanitary supplies. OGT has shipped approximately 250 kits. Currently our supplies for the kits have run out. Please look at this list of the materials needed for each kit, and consider donating to this mission. The approximate cash cost of the items (if we must buy them) is \$12.72 per kit.

Each kit contains:

2 washable cotton & waterproof fabric shields with Velcro closure = est. cost \$2.50
8 washable cotton flannel liners (equivalent of 1 yard of 45" wide fabric) - \$8.00
1 pair women's panties size 6 or 7 - \$1.55
1 bar Ivory bath soap - \$.34
2 safety pins (\$.03)
2 Ziploc brand gallon bags (\$.28)
1 washcloth (OGT donation: have 400)

Possible donations can be left at the warehouse:

100% washable cotton fabric, pieces larger than 10" x 12", any color, any pattern (except USA patriotic).

100% washable cotton flannel, yardage preferred by pieces larger than 8" x 8", any color, any pattern (except USA patriotic)

Women's panties sizes 6 or 7 (Hanes or Fruit of the Loom are good choices).
Ivory bath soap bars (available on Amazon in packs of 20)
Ziploc brand gallon bags
2" safety pins

If you would like to make a monetary donation for the kits, please make your check payable to OGT with "Feminine Hygiene Kits" in the memo line. Mail to P.O. Box 1741, Millersville MD 21108. Thank you for your support of this ministry!



A group of volunteers is shown assembling feminine hygiene kits



Fabric donations can be left at the warehouse at 621 East-West Blvd. in Millersville. The warehouse is open for donations on Tuesdays from 9-12 and 5-7 and on the 2nd Sat. of the month from 9-12.

Thank you for considering donating to this worthwhile project



DONATE TO ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN



UNDERSTANDING OGT'S CHARITY NAVIGATOR RATING

Charity Navigator, America's premier independent charity evaluator, has high ratings for Orphan Grain Train! We're pleased to share this information with you!

For the second year in a row, OGT received a 100% for Overall Score & Rating for 'Financial', and 'Accountability & Transparency'. Only 74 charities out of 9,000 rated charities received this Perfect Score! Financial performance: 98.2% of all donations go towards OGT's mission, only 1.8% goes toward administrative and marketing costs for two years in a row. The four stars signify Charity Navigator's highest rating, and OGT has had a four star rating for the last nine years.

[DONATE HERE](#)



ANOTHER SHIPMENT ON THE WAY TO THOSE IN NEED

Our volunteers recently packed another shipment destined for a Lutheran Church and schools in Liberia. Blankets/quilts, bookcases, chairs, feminine hygiene kits, canes, crutches, children's items, sun ovens, school furnishings and supplies are on the way and will improve the lives for these people.

LITTLE THINGS *DO* ADD UP

Orphan Grain Train can accept your used printer cartridges as a part of a recycling program that provides a certain amount of funding for OGT. You can bring your depleted cartridges to the warehouse (621 East-West Blvd., Millersville) when you come to volunteer, donate, or visit.



VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

Orphan Grain Train is always appreciative of, and dependent on, volunteer assistance. The Millersville branch operates with no paid staff. Everyone is a volunteer there! Many opportunities, large and small, are available and we welcome inquiries to 410-417-9674.

Welcome to Bill and Sharon Booker, our newest volunteer team! In addition to sorting and packing on Tuesdays, Bill and Sharon will also be picking up packing boxes from the Severna Park Chick-fil-A for us!

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