



Orphan Grain Train

Good Tidings

News - *for and about* -

OGT Maryland

September, 2025

Second Shipment of 2025 to Appalachia

OGT Team - I have the absolute honor and privilege to let you know that this morning (August 28th) we loaded a shipment to Hazel Green Food Project (HGFP), Hazel Green, Kentucky for the second time this calendar year. As a reminder, HGFP sits in one of the poorest counties in all of Appalachia. We loaded winter clothes for men, women, and children, plus-sized clothes, linens, beds and mattresses, durable medical equipment, medical supplies, school supplies, toys, tools, bicycles, a gasoline generator, hospital-grade PT equipment, and more! This totaled 918 pieces and weighed 18,027 lbs. Our partners in Hazel Green report that they eagerly await the shipment to arrive tomorrow, Friday.

Each one of us at OGT Maryland Branch is a very unique part of a greater common body which has been called to one mission: to serve the less fortunate of our world while extolling the Goodness of God! As such, no single personal contribution gets a shipment to its destination; rather when we all work together for the Glory of God, as scripture edifies, our work and mission thrive!!! That said, this absolutely includes our partners at OGT Headquarters and our transportation partners in New Jersey! May the Lord bless each one of you for your enduring dedication.

Very Respectfully/Tony R

Assistant Branch Manager, Operations



Our Shipment Has Arrived!

Our local contacts in Hazel Green, Kentucky passed on their sincere thanks for “the blessings” we sent. They sent an added thanks for the tools we included in this shipment, as they will be used to build homes for Habitat for Humanity. The items were distributed via the local Food Bank. While it is hard to imagine, there is abject poverty in the county of Hazel Green, KY. While no single shipment will ever solve such deep poverty, nonetheless what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters, we do for Our Savior, Christ Jesus!



More Humanitarian Aid Headed to Ghana

Last week we completed the final installment of goods and transfer to the Ebenezer Akwanga Human Rights Institute, Clinton, MD in this calendar year. We delivered about ~3,500 lbs of clothing, beds, medical durable goods, school supplies, and sewing machines and supplies to compliment a load we delivered in July for a combined total of ~7,000lbs of aid to the people of Ghana. Our loads, along with other collected goods will be transferred into a container and shipped next week to Accra, Ghana. In a couple of months, our constituent, Dr. Ebenezer Akwanga, will

meet the container to clear customs and begin the distribution process across hundreds of towns and miles. Dr. Akwanga has expressed his most sincere thanks for our Branch's continued support of his mission and ministry to care for the people of Ghana including multiple Christian and Muslim communities in need. May the Lord continue to bless us with the volunteers, material goods, and the drive we need to fulfill His Will - as it is in Heaven!!!! As we know, it indeed takes a village - The Maryland Branch - to make it all happen.



Bombas Socks for the Homeless



Last month, we delivered 6,500 pairs of Bombas socks to Pastor Elliott at St. Thomas Lutheran Church in Baltimore City. They will be distributed to the homeless in the inner-city. Pictured with Pastor Elliott are Norm and Austin, OGT volunteers.

Winners Both On and Off the Field!

On July 29, OGT hosted the 2011 Baltimore Armour Girls Soccer Team. Nine members of the team and their parents joined in to help us at the warehouse. The girls sorted and packed clothing, as well as checked, bagged and labeled winter coats. While the team was working with clothing and coats, the parents made boxes, taped full boxes and carried LMS bags and boxes into the warehouse. We sincerely thank the girls and their parents for this gift of time!



Super Saturday

August 16th was designated as a special "Mass Packing Day" in an attempt to put a big dent in the pile of clothing donations we had stored in the warehouse. Forty-four volunteers arrived with smiles on their faces and within three hours managed to sort and pack 157 boxes! This has to be a new record! We were so crowded that some volunteers decided to work in the warehouse without air conditioning. Some of these folks were our regular volunteers, but the larger number were first-timers. We welcome them with open arms and hope that we see them again sometime soon at the warehouse.



Seven-year-old Henry, our youngest volunteer that day, spent several hours putting labels on boxes. This was not Henry's first time volunteering at OGT with his Dad, and he assured us that he will be back!

We Salute our Youngest Donors

At a time when kids are flooded with new toys and things, Charlotte's mother gave her daughter the idea of asking friends to bring school supplies for needy children in lieu of gifts for her 5th birthday party. All of the parents were more than happy to participate and the children shared their excitement with each child bringing a bag full of items. Charlotte's mother, Emiy, said, "It was a nice way for everyone to contribute to a great cause. It also opened up good opportunities for us to explain to our kids why we were collecting items and opening their eyes to the needs around us".



SPARE No One - Helping the Needy

Register today!

A bowling fundraiser for all ages is being planned to benefit OGT Maryland!

- **WHEN** - Saturday, October 25th from 5:00 - 7:00 pm
- **WHERE** - Severna Park Lanes on Ritchie Highway
- **WANTED** - Silent Auction Items
- Sponsorships available
- Invite your friends and form a team!
- Contact Person - Marie Fries (weezie68@verizon.net)



For more information and to register, click the button below!

[Bowling info and registration](#)

Support the 2025 PRO-Vision Memorial Run

The 2025 PRO-Vision Memorial Run will be here soon. As in past years, a large portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Maryland Branch of the Orphan Grain Train. Please click the button below for more information and to register for the event. The Overton family and OGT Maryland thank you for your support!



ABOUT THE EVENT

RUN OR WALK A 5K OR 10K THROUGH THE B&A TRAIL TO SUPPORT FAMILIES IN NEED AND HONOR THE LEGACY OF PAUL OVERTON.

PETS AND STROLLERS ARE WELCOME AS WE COME TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE, REMEMBER, AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

[Click here for more information and to register for the Run.](#)



PAUL R. OVERTON

WANTED: Backpacks and School Supplies



We are still collecting backpacks and school supplies. They can be dropped off at the warehouse during our regular hours.

REFLECTION FOR TODAY



JOIN US IN PRAYER

Please remember our OGT community in your prayers!

- Our Volunteers
- Our Donors and Supporters
- Recipients of our humanitarian aid

Continue to pray for our brothers and sisters in Ukraine, Israel and Palestine and for an end to these wars.



USED PRINTER CARTRIDGE PROGRAM



Orphan Grain Train accepts your used printer cartridges as part of a recycling program that provides funding for OGT. Please continue to bring your depleted cartridges to the warehouse when you come to volunteer, donate, or visit.

VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

Orphan Grain Train is always looking for new volunteers. Many opportunities, both large and small, are available. For more information, please call 410-417-9674 or stop by the warehouse any Monday or Tuesday morning (9:00 - noon), Tuesday evening (5:00 - 7:00 p.m.), or the second Saturday of each month (9:00 - noon).



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