



Some Very Good News

..... then some not so much.

First -- the Good News



God has given Orphan Grain Train--Michigan the privilege of four international shipments during 2022.

- 1.) Rapid March response for **Ukrainian refugee relief**
- 2.) April shipment successfully received by the
Jurbarkas Evangelical Lutheran Diaconia, Smalininkai.
- 3.) August shipment to
Int'l Charity Fund Peace, Senaki, Georgia.
- 4.) Finally, our most recent effort to the Psichotery Rehabilitation Center
Gabrielius in **Vyziai, Lithuania**, and Pastor Valdas Miliauskas
serving
five Lutheran parishes there.

All this is **WONDERFUL NEWS** about the vitality and growing efforts of the Michigan branch of Orphan Grain Train.

We are enormously grateful to our volunteers, donors, and countless others bringing us the humanitarian goods we may then send freely to people in need around the world.

Best of all ---

The Gospel of Christ always accompanies distribution of these life-sustaining goods.

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News We'd Rather Not

Need to Share

For the past year, Orphan Grain Train--Michigan has anticipated a support shipment of churchly and humanitarian goods to the Evangelical Lutheran

Church of South Sudan. (ELCSS/S).

Over the course of this year hundreds of theological books packaged in over 120 cases have been gathered for establishing a Lutheran seminary library in Yambio. We also have in our warehouse baptismal fonts, hundreds of choir robes, altar ware, and multiple other ecclesiastical goods fully ready for a shipment which now is being prevented by circumstances beyond our control.

Plans for this effort have been made in collaboration with **LUTHERAN HERITAGE FOUNDATION**. But sadly we have encountered barriers making a distribution at this time too difficult to complete.

--- Import regulations in South Sudan have become a great obstacle
--- Multiple freight forwarders are unable to undertake our intended shipment.

--- Other complexities are outside the established and necessary practices of Orphan Grain Train.

We have no choice but to suspend this effort. We had hoped to ship earlier this Fall, but sometimes even the best intentions simply can't be realized....

But We Do Not Loose Heart !

***especially because of children such as these
benefiting from goods sent from here earlier this year
to the Republic of Georgia.***



***We Know Jesus in His
Compassion***

Will Open Doors Again

Where and When He Wills

... as He already has for us to



UKRAINE

KYRGYZSTAN

PANAMA

MOLDOVA

GEORGIA

LITHUANIA

Upcoming OGT-M

Presentations

12/5/2022 - St. John Lutheran Church, Midland, MI 6:30 p.m.

12/7/22 - St. Mark Lutheran Church, Flint, MI 10:00 a.m.

1/21/2023 - LWML Gateway Zone Prayer Day Retreat, Colon, MI

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