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Being the Hands & Feet of Jesus

Ukrainian Families Arrive

We welcomed 5 Ukrainian families to the Norfolk community earlier this week! OGT and several groups and volunteers worked together to help these families start new lives. What a blessing this day was to welcome them! To God be the Glory!





Click on the link to view news segment from KCAU 9 in Sioux City, IA.
['Ukrainian refugees come to new home in Norfolk'](#)

Aid to Comfort

Bread of Life in Romania received a container of aid from OGT's [North Dakota Branch in Jamestown](#). Much of the aid was boxed up, some for their orphanages and some to Ukrainian refugees they are serving. They also took a load into northern Ukraine to help an orphanage there. Thank you, North Dakota volunteers and donors for showing the love of Jesus to so many children and families devastated by this humanitarian crisis.



Camp for Kids

Bible Mission International in Moldova offer a Christian camp to children from socially vulnerable families. They had 110 children between the age of 7-12. The children stay for a few days and enjoy games, crafts and Bible stories. Many of the children came in worn clothes without packing extras for the stay. BMI was able to give the children clothes, shoes, new undies & socks from OGT. One little girl, Alina, (first pic) is in 2nd grade and did not know what a tooth brush and paste was. She was taught and given her own. The children enjoyed the camp, learned to pray and about Jesus. Please say a prayer for these children to continue using at home what they learned at Bible camp. Thank you, BMI for sharing Jesus with these precious children!



What We Do



Servant Hearts

You don't need to hear instructions to be a good volunteer. Ten Texans proved it on July 22nd at the St. Louis site for the [Missouri-Illinois Branch](#). Seven volunteers were youth and young adults with hearing disabilities, while three adults provided sign language instructions at the direction of branch personnel.

The team of volunteers departed from Austin, Texas, and traveled more than 800 miles to help with sorting and boxing clothing for the needy.



For The Children

Lola Rengstorf and Rosalie Downing delivered 86 OGT Christmas Gift Boxes to the OGT Lincoln Collection Center in Nebraska! They are from Trinity Lutheran Church in Shenandoah, Iowa, a small congregation about 1 1/2 hours from Lincoln. The whole congregation participated in this project. What a delight and inspiration these ladies were.

[Volunteer](#)[OGT Locations](#)

Additional News

Norfolk warehouse volunteers loaded furniture, medical equipment, clothing and linens for Cornerstone Children's Ranch in Quemado, TX.

[Wisconsin Branch volunteers](#) delivered toys, school kits, bikes, medical equipment and other goods to Ysleta Mission in El Paso, TX.

Weekly Devotion

Then (Abraham) said, "May the Lord not be angry, but let me speak just once more. What if only ten can be found there?" He answered, "For the sake of ten, I will not destroy it." (Gen. 18:32) One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When He finished, one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught His disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: 'Father, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us. And lead us not into temptation.' Then He said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, & he goes to him at midnight & says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, because a friend of mine on a journey has come to me, & I have nothing to set before him.' Then the one inside answers, 'Don't bother me. The door is already locked, & my children are with me in bed. I can't get up & give you anything.' "I tell you, though he will not get up & give him the bread because he is his friend, yet because of the man's boldness he will get up & give him as much as he needs." (Luke 11:1-8)

Persistence in Prayer: Jesus' disciples ask Him to teach them to pray. Jesus responds with what we call the Lord's Prayer, as recorded in Luke's Gospel. It's amazing when you think about it. We still pray the prayer which the Lord taught His disciples over two thousand years ago.

Jesus has a further lesson to teach. He tells a parable about a man who wakes his friend up in the middle of the night to ask for bread. The friend responds because

of “*the man’s boldness*.” Our Father also hears & answers our prayers because of our boldness.

Abraham was a prayer warrior. In *Genesis Chapter 8*, God tells Abraham about the impending destruction of Sodom. Sodom certainly deserves this fate, but Abraham is filled with compassion. He approaches the Lord with boldness & asks the Lord to spare the city if fifty righteous people are found there. The Lord agrees. Abraham then proceeds to ask for the Lord’s mercy if only 45 righteous are found there. The Lord agrees again, & this conversation continues until Abraham speaks “*just once more*” & asks God to spare Sodom for the sake of ten righteous people. God agrees. We know that ultimately not even ten righteous people could be found in Sodom, but that’s not the point. The point is that Abraham approached the Lord boldly & persistently, confident that his prayer would be heard & answered.

Prayer: Lord, teach us to pray with boldness & persistence, fully believing that You will hear our prayers & answer them according to Your good & gracious will. Amen.

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