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## *Giving Tuesday November 29*

This Giving Tuesday, Orphan Grain Train wants to 'Light Up Ukraine' with solar powered Luci Lights.

Millions of Ukrainians are living without electricity and this little Luci Light will dramatically change their lives, giving them light and hope.

Luci Lights are clear, inflatable, solar powered lights that never need batteries. They contain 10 LED bulbs emitting 75 lumens and can shine for up to 24-hours on a single 7-hour charge. MpowerD, the company that manufactures Luci lights has offered these lights to us for Ukraine at a cost of \$7.50 each.

Please consider supporting our mission to “Light Up Ukraine” by donating to the cause. Any amount will be greatly appreciated. We currently have \$12,000.00 in Matching Funds available. By acting now, two lights will be sent to Ukraine for every light that you purchase. Click on the button to give online or send check to the address below.

*Together we can make a difference.*

Light Up Ukraine

Orphan Grain Train  
Maryland Branch  
P.O. Box 1741  
Millersville, MD 21108  
(Earmarked for Giving Tuesday)

OGT's Maryland Branch has shipped 10,000 Luci Lights to Africa to serve those with no electricity.

Will you help families living in darkness and fear in Ukraine?





## *Ready to Ship*

Wisconsin Branch volunteers were busy loading 35,640 Food for Kidz meals, canned corn, canned beans, blankets, sleeping mats, pews, clothing accessories, infant diapers hygiene kits, mobility carts, school furnishings, school kits/supplies, student desks and chairs, and sewing machines for Liberia. CRCA – Christian Revival Church Association embraces community development and projects while sharing the Gospel.

Gospelink in Zambia was relieved and grateful to receive 256,608 life-saving Mercy Meals! Malnutrition and hunger are extremely common in the region. Gospelink has a clinic that sees children 5 & under for immunizations and nutrition. They are able to determine malnourished children and less privileged mothers to whom meals were given. Meals were also given to pregnant women with no food and those that come into the clinic malnourished. Kulangabana Orphanage was offered boxes of meals to help offset their food shortage. Rufunsa District Health Office was sincerely thankful for receiving 20 boxes of meals to share with those on their feeding program since malnutrition effects other health issues. Thank you, OGT donors, for being a blessing to so many in desperate need of food. The meals came from many different Mercy Meals organizations: 135,432 OGT, 92,664 Norfolk/MMs of NE, 7,218 Chapter 25, 7,218 Milbank, SD, 7,218 Siouxland, & 7,218 Colorado Springs, CO.



*Thank you everyone that help serve the hungry at Mercy Meal programs!*



## *“Tis the Season”*

As the holiday season gets closer, there is still time to make plans to support your favorite charity....Orphan Grain Train. Philanthropic giving is deeply personal, and making a year-end gift to Orphan Grain Train reflects your values. We have much to be thankful for this year and your year-end gift supports the many projects that we have been involved with this year. You may also wish to give a special gift to the Servant Center fund. There are many ways to give and cash is the easiest. You can also get creative with your giving. Consider a gift of stock, mutual funds or a qualified charitable distribution from your IRA or donor advised fund (DAF). If you are in farming, consider a gift of grain. However you wish to complete your year-end gift, it is best not to wait until the last minute. Contributions made on or before December 31, 2022 will be counted in 2022. Gifts of Stock and/or mutual funds take time to process so act now. In short, once you have made your year-end giving plans, consider making your gift as soon as possible. If you have any questions regarding a gift from your IRA or DAF or, a stock or mutual fund gift, please do not hesitate to ask either myself, Tom Watson 402-940-2007, [twatson@ogt.org](mailto:twatson@ogt.org) or Ralph Schmidt 260-452-4207, [rschmidt@ogt.org](mailto:rschmidt@ogt.org)

\*Note- A Qualified Charitable Distribution allows an IRA owner to distribute money *directly* from your IRA to Orphan Grain Train without recognizing any income tax on that amount. Please contact either Ralph or myself for details on how to accomplish this. May the Lord abundantly bless you this holiday season.

-Tom Watson  
Donor Relations Specialist

## *Food & Gifts for Many*

Pastor Kollie in Liberia sent these touching pictures of food and goods being distributed from OGT's Wisconsin Branch in Westfield. 29,160 Food for Kidz meals, 168 cases canned corn, 255 cases canned peas, 1 box of candy, blankets, sleeping mats, English Bibles, choir robes, Christian resources, hymnals, pews, clothing and shoes, flip flops, new undies, hospital bed frames and mattresses, medical equipment, school kits, student desks, school supplies, sewing machines, treadle sewing machines and sewing supplies were shared with many in need!

Thank you, Wisconsin Branch donors and volunteers, for showing the love of Christ!



## *Loaded with Love*

Social Charity Fund Compassion in Kyrgyzstan will soon be receiving blankets, linens, clothing, canes, walkers, wheeled rollators, wheelchairs, and bicycles from [OGT's Norfolk warehouse](#). The aid will be shared with many families, the elderly and disabled people living in poverty. Thank you, donors and volunteers!



## *Additional News*

Wisconsin Branch volunteers delivered 40,500 pounds of potatoes to Cornerstone Children's Ranch in Quemado, TX. What delicious gifts to share with many families in need along the border.

OGT's [Highland Lakes volunteers in Buchanan Dam, TX.](#) delivered school kits, toys, hygiene supplies, and other goods to Valley Baptist Retreat Center in Mission, TX.

Orphan Grain Train recently received grants from two Lutheran Women's Missionary League districts. We received a grant of \$9,000 from the LWML Central Illinois District, which has been used to help cover the cost of shipping relief supplies for victims of the war in Ukraine. A grant of \$4,000 was received from the LWML Southern Illinois District, which has been used to help cover domestic relief costs. We are thankful for these grants. We appreciate them very much, & we value our partnership with the LWML.

Norfolk warehouse volunteers loaded and delivered 28 pallets of various foods to Native American Heritage Association to share with families living in rural areas of the reservation.

Cornerstone Children's Ranch in Quemado, TX welcomed 7,128 Mercy Meals, one pallet of various foods, bedding, blankets, clothing of all types, bikes, toys, school supplies and sports equipment from Norfolk warehouse donors and volunteers. What wonderful gifts to serve many families.

## Weekly Devotion

*Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer & petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding will guard your hearts & your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you. (Phil. 4:6-9)*

**Anxiety:** Do you suffer from anxiety? I don't blame you, if you do. There are many reasons to be anxious. Just to name a few: the COVID pandemic, civil unrest, partisan politics, natural disasters—all of these & more can create anxiety.

Perhaps anxiety is more personal for you. Perhaps you or your loved ones have serious health issues. Perhaps you are experiencing financial distress. And maybe you suffer from a general anxiety disorder. I know what that feels like.

St. Paul provides some solutions. His first solution is prayer. We are encouraged to “*present (our) requests to God.*” We are promised “*the peace of God, which transcends all understanding.*” We believe that God’s peace “*will guard (our) hearts & (our) minds in Christ Jesus.*” And finally, “*The God of peace will be with you.*” As we celebrate Thanksgiving, remember to thank God for these & all other bountiful blessings that come from Him.

**Prayer:** Relieve us of our anxiety, Lord. May we look to You for the peace that can only come through You. Thank You for blessing us with Your peace. Amen.

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