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Warmth for Many

Association of Persons with Disabilities in Republic of Georgia recently received school supplies, diapers, blankets and winter clothing from OGT's [North Dakota Branch in Jamestown](#). Many

large families with low income, the elderly, and those with disabilities were thrilled to receive the goods which is difficult to afford otherwise. Thank you, North Dakota donors and volunteers for sharing the love of Jesus with those in need.

What We Do



Grateful Hearts

SAME Ministry in Alice, TX was thrilled to receive various foods, beans, hygiene supplies, blankets, medical equipment and clothing from the Norfolk warehouse. They had many volunteers show up to help unload all the goods. To God be the Glory!

Domestic Aid



Loaded for Lithuania

This is the 2,300th international shipment from OGT since the beginning in 1992! Thousands have been served and fed in the name of Jesus!

[Castle Rock Collection Center volunteers](#) in Colorado loaded blankets, clothing, coats, shoes, adult diapers, medical equipment, bicycles, toys, school supplies & backpacks for Lithuania. Evangelical Lutheran Diaconia will distribute the goods along with Scripture to many orphans, families in poverty, and the elderly. Praise be to God!



Christmas Cheer

We received these pictures from Nato, a recipient in Republic of Georgia. She shared Christmas Gift boxes at a daycare center for disabled children. Nato shared how excited the children were and would not let the boxes out of their hands. It was a very inspiring yet emotional day of sharing. Thank you, OGT supporters and donors for sharing the love of Jesus with so many in need.



Scrub Buckets Ready

Harold Mathews and Colin Scheidt loaded 25 scrub buckets filled with cleaning supplies, mops and brooms from OGT's Indiana Branch for Trinity Lutheran Church in Selma, Alabama. This was in conjunction with the LERT team from Immanuel Lutheran Church in Seymour, IN. Harold drove the load down as he was heading to help with tornado clean up in that area.



Servant Smiles

Kathy Carter, OGT board member and volunteer at the Lincoln Collection Center, visited the Phoenix Branch while on a mission trip with her husband Jim. Kathy (on the left) is pictured with Jean Weber, Volunteer Coordinator for Phoenix Branch. The group photo is some of Phoenix's dedicated volunteers.



Additional News

Last month, [Missouri-Illinois Branch volunteers](#) in St. Louis delivered food and goods to several organizations that serve families in need locally.

[OGT's Phoenix Branch](#) recently delivered children's furnishings and items to a new recipient, AZ Women's Recovery Center. Volunteers also delivered Bibles, backpacks, medical equipment, clothing, and toys to other organizations in the area that serve those in need.

[Norfolk warehouse in Nebraska](#) delivered a load of various foods to Native American Heritage Association in Black Hawk, SD. The food will serve many, many families living in rural areas in two states.

[Central Iowa Branch volunteers](#) in Clemons delivered boxes of quilts to an organization that serves those living in poverty.

Weekly Devotion

You are my lamp, O Lord; the Lord turns my darkness into light. (2 Sam. 22:29)

Context: 2nd Samuel Chapter 22 contains David's song of praise. "David sang to the Lord the words of this song when the Lord delivered him from the hand of all his enemies & from the hand of Saul." (2 Sam. 22:1)

Devotional Thoughts: King Saul had tried to kill David many times. I'm sure David had those experiences in mind when he wrote this song in 2nd Samuel. David also constantly found himself at war with the Philistines. [You can read about these wars in 2 Samuel Chapter 21.] David starts out his song of praise with these words: "The Lord is my rock, my fortress & my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take

refuge; my shield & the horn of my salvation. He is my stronghold, my refuge & my Savior—from violent men You save me.” (2 Sam. 22:2-3) Then in verse 29, he follows with the words: “the Lord turns my darkness into light.”

Lanterns make our camping trips more tolerable. The Lord’s “*light*” saves us from “*violent men.*” I’m sure that you agree with me that the world is full of violence against God’s people. Just ask our brothers & sisters who face severe persecution in places like China & Africa. We may face such violence, but the Lord continues to illumine our “*darkness,*” turn it “*into light,*” & strengthen us in the face of our enemies.

Prayer: Dear Jesus, deliver Your people from violent forces that seek to destroy us, Your children. Amen.

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