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## *Arrived & Unloaded*

Bible Mission International in Moldova was thrilled to receive a shipment of

humanitarian aid from [OGT's Wisconsin Branch in Westfield](#). All is unloaded and being sorted for distribution to many families, the elderly and disabled individuals living in poverty.



[What We Do](#)

## *Warehouse Event*

Houston Branch is having a Social Event with dinner and auction to raise funds for a new warehouse. If you are in the Houston area on January 27, you might want to plan to attend. Either click on the Fundraiser Flyer or Houston Branch for more information and to purchase tickets.



[Fundraiser Flyer](#)

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## *Serving Many*

[Wichita Branch's](#) shipment to Foundation of the Blind in Romania has arrived and is unloaded! Distribution pictures to come! Thank you donors & volunteers!



## *Thrivent Choice Dollars Expire Sunday, March 31 – Easter*

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**Attention Thrivent Members** – Please direct your Thrivent Choice Dollars to Orphan Grain Train before they expire on March 31, 2024 - Easter. Please keep in mind that the phones will be very busy on Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup> as this is the last day by phone to transfer Choice Dollars. Why not designate your Choice Dollars **today**. It is simple and doesn't cost you anything but your time. **YOU MUST RENEW THE DISTRIBUTION OF YOUR CHOICE DOLLARS EVERY YEAR. YOUR CHOICE OF A PRIOR YEAR DOES NOT CARRY OVER.**

There are two ways to direct your Choice Dollars. Go to [www.thriventchoice.com](http://www.thriventchoice.com) or call 1-800-847-4836 and say "choice dollars" at automation.

*Thank you for considering OGT when making your  
Choice Dollars donation.*

### *Servant Hearts*

Fifteen Lincoln Lutheran middle schoolers and their two teachers had

a service day at the Lincoln warehouse and packed donations and made 50 homeless blessing stockings with the help of a Thrivent \$250 Action Team event.



### *Shared to Bless Others*

Del and Karen Herbolsheimer from Pierce, Ne. donated 3 trailer loads of Karen's sister's clothing, shoes and accessories to OGT Lincoln. Thank you for your support.

[Lincoln Collection Center](#)

### *Additional News*

Ysleta Mission in El Paso was thrilled to receive 56 cases of bottled water, nearly 7,000 pounds of various foods, 7,128 Food for Kidz meals, bikes, toys, clothing and other goods to share with many families in need along the border. Thank you, Wisconsin Branch donors and volunteers!

Native American Heritage Association (NAHA) in Black Hawk, SD received a couple trailers full of various foods from the [Norfolk warehouse in Nebraska](#). Many families and organizations will receive the needed food.

### *Weekly Devotion*

*I love You, O Lord my strength. The Lord is my rock, my fortress & my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge. He is my shield & the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. I call to the Lord, who is worthy of praise, & I am saved*

*from my enemies. The cords of death entangled me; the torrents of destruction overwhelmed me. The cords of the grave coiled around me; the snares of death confronted me. In my distress I called to the Lord; I cried to my God for help. From His temple He heard my voice; my cry came before Him, into His ears. (Ps. 18:1-6)*

**A Boulder:** A few years back Lois & I visited an earthquake zone in southeast Idaho, not far from Yellowstone National Park. A powerful quake struck this area in the early morning hours of Aug. 17, 1959. A huge landslide rushed down one wall of the valley, damming a river, & creating Hebgen Lake. This same landslide, as it roared down one side of the valley & up the opposite side, entombed dozens of campers, who were buried under tons of rubble. A huge boulder the size of a house “rode” the surface of the landslide from the crest of one side of the valley to the crest of the opposite side. You can visit the visitor’s center & hike a short distance to this boulder today, which serves as a memorial for those who perished.

God is described as a “rock.” A rock is a symbol of power & strength. The psalmist calls Him “my fortress & my deliverer.” He is called “my God . . . in whom I take refuge.” He is called “my shield & the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.” This is a powerful image of the power of God, which can never be diminished.

We are assailed by enemies that are far more deadly than any earthquake or landslide. We are “entangled” by “the cords of the grave” & the “snares of death.” But thanks be to God! He is our “deliverer” from sin, death, & the power of Satan. He is truly our “rock.”

**Prayer Prompts:** Ask God to deliver you from the hands of your enemies.

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