

Orphan Grain Train

Relief for Human Need Worldwide



The new Servant Center is looking more complete! We are thankful to the mild winter for construction to keep moving along! This is the addition to the Norfolk warehouse in Nebraska. Photo courtesy of Davis Design.

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Being the Hands & Feet of Jesus

Texas Fire Relief Efforts

The Smokehouse Creek Fire, the largest wildfire to ever burn in Texas, is now nearly completely contained after spreading across roughly 1.1 million acres. Fire risk is still high due to continued winds and dry weather. OGT is working on ways to help, starting with hay relief efforts to feed cattle with no grasslands left. We have delivered two loads of hay, with more to be delivered, along with other relief efforts. If you would like to help, please donate online at www.ogt.org to Domestic Disaster Relief and in the comments write Texas Fires. Or you can mail a check earmarked for Texas Fires to: OGT, PO Box 1466, Norfolk, NE 68702. Thank you for your support of the Texas ranchers and all the livestock in need of food and care. Photo from previous hay donation from OGT.

[Give to Texas Fire Relief](#)



Food & Aid Loaded

Bible Mission International in Moldova is thrilled to soon be receiving 59,400 Food for Kidz meals, bikes, sewing machines, hygiene supplies, medical equipment and other aid from donors and volunteers at OGT's Wisconsin Branch in Westfield.

Wisconsin Branch



An Earned Award

OGT's Hannah House project in St. Petersburg, Russia, recently received a very prestigious Award: "Best Charity Project of the Year." Hannah House, established in 2016, provides a safe & nurturing environment for 18-year-olds who are released from orphanages & have no where to go, no job, & no family. Bible courses are offered, along with classes such as barista, photography, cosmetology, & cooking. A major goal is to help these young people with socializing & nurturing in order to be successful in life. Thank you to everyone who has



supported OGT's Hannah House & Adopt-An-Orphanage programs!

Aid Shared Locally

OGT's Phoenix Branch has partnered with Matthew's Crossing for about a year. Our School Kits, toiletry items and Feminine Kits are so needed by under-privileged in the Metro Phoenix area. Thank you for helping locally!



[Phoenix Branch](#)

Volunteer

Successful Servant Event

OGT worked with Oklahoma Disaster Relief program to set up a servant event with Concordia University Nebraska football players and coaches in Okmulgee, OK. In one week, they replaced two roofs with OGT providing food & bedding, OK Disaster Relief providing materials and tools and First United Methodist Church providing use of their facilities for this event. Okmulgee is one of the lowest economic communities in Oklahoma and the people in the city were some of the kindest people to the guys. They showed great faith in our conversation as the we talked with the people. Okmulgee homeless numbers have tripled in the last three years. We formed a special relationship with one family in Okmulgee, pictured is the family eating with the workers. A special thank you to Bill McAllister in helping organize this awesome week of Bible study and servant event. The

local food bank was thrilled to receive the remainder of the food not used during the week-long event. This was a very successful first servant event for OGT!



Rocky Mountain Branch in Julesburg, CO received 45 school kits from students at St. Paul Lutheran School in Ogallala, NE. Thank you for serving other students throughout the world!



Day of Sewing



Carol Wrede, pictured with boxes, is active with OGT and her husband Bernie is a board member at OGT Headquarters in Norfolk, NE. They enjoy winters in Arizona and continue to support OGT at the Phoenix Branch.

On February 10, Carol's quilting group-Quilter's on Wheels made 56 Layette kits, 284 completed flannel diapers, & 221 diapers in various stages of completion with the help from a Thrivent Action Team event. The completed items were packed in boxes and delivered to OGT's Phoenix Branch warehouse. Thank you, ladies, for your time, talent and gifts for those in need worldwide!



Many Hands Make Light Work

Many [volunteers at OGT's Colorado West Collection Center](#) loaded 897 boxes with shoes, accessories, clothing of all kinds, quilts, bedding, toys, pillowcase dresses, mittens, underwear and socks. Also included in shipment were 183 boxes of miscellaneous items for Border Missions. Last but not least, unboxed items such as medical equipment and sleeping bags. There was more but not enough room in tractor trailer which will unload at OGT's Norfolk warehouse in Nebraska. What a joy these items will bring to people around the globe. What a blessing to give! Thank you, Colorado West donors and volunteers!



Additional News

[Missouri West Collection Center volunteers in Concordia](#) were thrilled to load school supplies, medical equipment and other goods for Cornerstone Children's Ranch in Quemado, TX. Thank you, Missouri West donors and volunteers!

[Central Nebraska Branch volunteers in Grand Island](#) loaded 19,008 Mercy Meals, diapers, hygiene supplies, medical equipment sewing machines and other aid for Somosvida A.C. in Mexico. The organization has an outreach program that shares food and goods with many families in need.

Weekly Devotion

In the case of a will, it is necessary to prove the death of the one who made it, because a will is in force only when somebody has died; it never takes effect while the one who made it is living. This is why even the first covenant

was not put into effect without blood. When Moses had proclaimed every commandment of the law to all the people, he took the blood of calves, together with water, scarlet wool & branches of hyssop, & sprinkled the scroll & all the people. He said, "This is the blood of the covenant, which God has commanded you to keep." In the same way, he sprinkled with the blood both the tabernacle & everything used in its ceremonies. In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood, & without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness. (Heb. 9:16-22)

Blood: I used to donate blood regularly. The sight of blood has never bothered me. I know people who cannot donate blood, because the sight of blood leaves them feeling light-headed & squeamish. I once sat at a table, eating a snack after donating blood, when the guy sitting across from me turned white & fainted. That was a shock! Sadly, since I started taking blood thinners, I can no longer donate blood. I'd like to think that some of the blood I donated over the years was used to save lives. The Old Testament sacrifices were bloody, bloody affairs. Animals were slaughtered, & blood was sprinkled all over the place—even on people! Moses told the people, *"This is the blood of the covenant, which God has commanded you to keep."* He also said, *"In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood, & without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness."*

So, whose blood should be shed for our forgiveness? Why, it should be our own blood! Praise God! The Apostle John writes, *"And the blood of Jesus Christ (God's) Son, purifies us from all sin."* (1 John 1:7b) It was Jesus' blood, shed on the cross of Calvary, that made our forgiveness possible. Our blood is not required for our own forgiveness, because Jesus shed His own blood for sinners—for you & me.

Prayer Prompts: Thank Jesus for shedding His blood to pay for our sins.
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