

# Orphan Grain Train †

Relief for Human Need Worldwide



We are excited with the progress of the building construction this winter! It is a beautiful addition to the Norfolk warehouse to serve many more in need worldwide. We are planning for a portion of the upcoming OGT Convention in September to be held at the new Servant Center. More details to come.... Photo courtesy of Davis Design.

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Being the Hands & Feet of Jesus

# *Feeding the Hungry*

We received these photos from Foundation of the Blind in Romania of distributing Feed My Starving Children's Manna Pack meals to many families in need. Thank you OGT donors for helping to fund this shipment of 272,160 meals to nourish many living with hunger.



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## *International Aid Loaded*

[Maryland Branch volunteers in Millersville](#) recently loaded church furnishings, 17,496 Harvest Pack meals, school furnishings, bikes and other aid to Mission Gardens of Christ in S. Sudan! So many wonderful gifts for many in need.

[Norfolk warehouse volunteers in Nebraska](#) loaded a container with bikes, hygiene & school kits, various clothing and medical equipment headed for Latvia. Red Cross will receive the aid to share with many families living in extreme poverty.



## *Grateful Hearts*

OGT's humanitarian aid was shared with many families in Ukraine. This message of thanks is from Vitaliy Smolin with New Life Christian Mission. "We thank our friends and partners of Orphan Grain Train and every caring person who is involved in the needs of Ukraine. We continue to distribute humanitarian aid in the form of food, clothes, diapers to vulnerable categories of the population: IDPs, the disabled, mothers raising children on their own, large families, and everyone in need. We are grateful to every merciful heart for your support in this difficult time for Ukraine. 🇺🇦 "

Thank you, OGT supporters and Praise be to God!





## *Warehouse Manager*

OGT would like to introduce Steve Fehrs, the new Norfolk warehouse manager. His work history includes both sales and warehouse with some logistics. He has been married for 29 years to Melissa and have a daughter Amber. Steve enjoys cooking, traveling and using his drone for scenic photography shots.



If you have been to the warehouse in the past, you may have met his father John, who was a dedicated volunteer for 28 years. We are excited to have Steve and please welcome him if you happen to see him.

## *Joyfully Serving*

Spring flowers were beginning to peak in late March as seven new [Missouri-Illinois Branch volunteers](#) living less than an hour's drive just west of St. Louis came to the branch site located there to deliver blankets and other necessities and prepare items for future use. The addition of an extra seven pairs of dedicated hands made the work move smoothly. Those hands were joined by others who regularly give volunteer hours at the site. So the Lord's work was advanced joyfully and hopefully with ... all glory to God! Reporting: Dr. Gerald Perschbacher, branch board member



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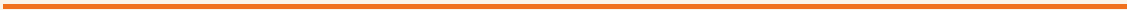
## *Aid for Ranchers*

OGT purchased & delivered 1,900 wooden fence posts for ranchers in Texas that had posts destroyed in the recent wildfires. They are in desperate need of these to corral livestock that survived. Thank you, OGT donors for your support of Texas disaster relief aid. OGT has funded 3 loads of hay bales for ranchers in Texas and Oklahoma with more loads planned. If you would like to give toward Texas Fire Relief, please click the Donate button below and write Texas Fires in the comment box. Thank you for your support!



### *Help for Tornado Victims*

The Fuller Center - Disaster ReBuilders organization has been a partner with OGT in Louisiana for several years helping families rebuild after hurricanes. The containers are filled with various tools and storage used by volunteers cleaning up and rebuilding disaster areas. Photos are of the containers being placed at Clarksville, TN for Fuller Disaster volunteers to use for rebuilding homes after the F-3 tornado in Dec. 2023. They are still helping in Dawson Springs, KY from the Dec 2021 tornado that hit that area. These two areas are only one hour apart, so they're actually helping both KY and TN volunteers. May God continue to bless the partnership and families devastated from these disasters.



## Donate

[Central Iowa Branch volunteers in Clemons](#) made several local deliveries of clothing, household items, sleeping mats, medical equipment and other goods to organizations that help families in need. Thank you, donors & volunteers!

### Weekly Devotion

*I will declare Your name to my brothers; in the congregation I will praise You. You who fear the Lord, praise Him! All you descendants of Jacob, honor Him! Revere Him, all you descendants of Israel! For He has not despised or disdained the suffering of the afflicted one; He has not hidden His face from him but has listened to his cry for help. From You comes the theme of my praise in the great assembly; before those who fear You will I fulfill my vows. The poor will eat & be satisfied; they who seek the Lord will praise Him—may your hearts live forever! All the ends of the earth will remember & turn to the Lord, & all the families of the nations will bow down before Him, for dominion belongs to the Lord & He rules over the nations. All the rich of the earth will feast & worship; all who go down to the dust will kneel before Him—those who cannot keep themselves alive. Posterity will serve Him; future generations will be told about the Lord. They will proclaim His righteousness to a people yet unborn—for He has done it. (Ps. 22:22-31)*

**The Poor Will Eat:** Lois & I lived in Chicago for five years. It was there that we developed a taste for “exotic” food. Just about any ethnic food you could imagine was available. Our taste for exotic foods continued even after we

moved from Chicago. We have sampled Chinese food, Filipino, Thai, Italian, Vietnamese, Polynesian, Japanese, German, Polish, Persian, Armenian, East Indian, Native American, Greek—I may be leaving something out. How does your list compare to mine? The psalmist has this to say about food: *“The poor will eat & be satisfied . . . All the rich of the earth will feast & worship.”* He’s talking about more than just earthly food. He’s talking about Jesus, the Bread of Life. (SEE *John 6:35.*) This is truly exotic food. Jesus comes to us in the Word & in, with & under the bread & wine of Holy Communion, where we receive His body & blood. This food does not satisfy us in this world alone. It satisfies us for eternity.

God also calls us to feed the hungry of the world—those who are hungry not only for earthly bread but also hungry for the Bread of Life. At Orphan Grain Train we work through Mercy Meals & Feed My Starving Children to accomplish this. May God continue to bless us with the motivation & resources we need to feed the hungry, both near & far.

**Prayer Prompts:** Thank Jesus that He has blessed us with the Bread of Life. Ask Him to bless our efforts to feed the hungry.

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