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**Stuffed Animals Bring Delight
to Children in Ukraine**



Dnipro Christian Church in Dnipro, Ukraine recently sent photos of the welcomed container of food, clothing, blankets, medical equipment, Christmas boxes and bicycles from Orphan Grain Train-Norfolk. Over 35,000 Mercy Meals, 32 wheelchairs, ten PET wheelchairs (adult and child)

and 105 boxes of medical supplies were packed onto this load. The 70 boxes of stuffed animals were an added delight. Thank you, volunteers for being faithful stewards of the Lord's bounty.



Orphan Grain Train-New England's load to Moldova is on its way

Recipients at Bible Mission International in Kishinau, Moldova recently received word that a fantastic load of needed items is on its way to them. Orphan Grain Train New England, located in Terryville, recently loaded over 680 boxes of men's, women's and children's clothing, over 160 boxes of quilts and linens and ten bicycles. In addition, 80 walkers and 50 walking canes were packed in with other much requested medical equipment. Thank you, OGT New England for taking collected items and sharing them with other people all over the world.

OGT-Wisconsin and OGT-Minnesota Team Up

Orphan Grain Train Wisconsin and Orphan Grain Train Minnesota-North teamed up to send almost 40,000 pounds of beans to Liberia. The 19 large totes of HarvestCall beans were given in the name of Jesus. Thank you!





OGT- Michigan Load to Lithuania and a Shout Out to the Frankentrost Guys!





On June 17, Orphan Grain Train--Michigan completed loading humanitarian supplies for the Lutheran Church of Lithuania. After the loading in Sebewaing and being trucked to Detroit, we anticipate the container taking approximately two months to travel first by rail from Michigan to Montclair, New Jersey for further loading at the Norfolk Pier onto a Latvian American Shipping Line container ship for crossing the Atlantic and then through Riga, Latvia and the discharge port of Klaipeda with eventual delivery to Jurbarkas, Lithuania. And then a shout out to the Frankentrost guys! A note from Dave Reed: *"Among our other faithful volunteers, these four men are so consistent in helping with our loading days when we "need the muscle." They drive up to Sebewaing from Immanuel Lutheran Church, Frankentrost. What a relief to always see cousins Keith Schaeff, Tom Schaeff, Gary Schaeff, and Bob Weiss."* Thank you to all our faithful volunteers!

OGT is grateful for PROLIFT RIGGING!



Paul Richardson, (center) wearing his burgundy OGT shirt and giving a thumbs up!

Orphan Grain Train-Phoenix is blessed to have ProLift Rigging as a corporate partner. Our assistant manager, Paul Richardson, is an employee at ProLift. This company believes in giving back to the community and the company's purpose is "To acknowledge and glorify God by living in submission to Him; through impacting people, stewarding His resources, accomplishing meaningful work, and directing our profits to His redemptive work on earth.

On Juneteenth, the "Cares Team" from ProLift Rigging held a backpack packing session and provided the Phoenix Branch with over 100 backpacks. This is the second year they held this event, and we benefited! We were especially thankful for these backpacks, as we had only one box left in our inventory. Two days later, the OGT Branch distributed more than half of these backpacks to a Matthews Crossing Food Bank for their Meals to Grow Program

and a non-profit foster care organization-Arizonans for Children.
Thank you, Pro-Lift Rigging!

Orphan Grain Train-Wisconsin delivered a wonderful truckload of food, clothing, furniture, medical equipment, household items and hygiene goods to Manna from Heaven in Myra, Kentucky. Over one hundred boxes of adult and children's diapers were packed in the load along with over 8,000 pounds of food. 16,848 Kids Against Hunger/Food for Kidz fortified meals were also included. Thank you, Wisconsin volunteers for organizing this load and then making sure it all fits in the truck.



Manna from Heaven in Myra, Kentucky

Additional News

OGT-Maryland and OGT-New England Share Medical Equipment

In late May, both Orphan Grain Train-Maryland and Orphan Grain Train-New England shared a great deal of medical equipment to people in their communities. Many shower chairs, commodes, walkers and wheelchairs have been picked up at these locations by individuals who are in need either from failing health, recent surgery or change in abilities. OGT-Maryland gave out over 53 medical items and OGT-New England over 125. Thank you, to all the volunteers who clean, prepare, fix and share these items that are so needed by so many.

OGT-Ohio Transports Items to Kentucky, Indiana and Ohio

Orphan Grain Train Ohio was busy again at transporting needed items to groups in Kentucky, Indiana and Ohio. In May, Appalachia Reach Out in Inez, Kentucky received over ninety pieces of furniture, sixty boxes and individual household items, toys, clothing and hygiene supplies. Two days later, OGT Ohio traveled to The Attic in McKee, Kentucky delivering clothing and household items. They traveled on to Concordia Seminary in Fort Wayne, Indiana to bring 25 boxes of clothing to seminarians and their families. Thank you, Ohio volunteers for preparing all of these donations so that they can be used where they are needed.

OGT-Missouri-Illinois Share Food with Pantries

Orphan Grain Train Missouri-Illinois gave out over 8,683 pounds of food to three local Lutheran churches with food pantries in the St. Louis area. They also shared quilts and blankets to Christian Friends of New America and distributed infant diapers and

medical supplies with Action STL for recent tornado relief. Thank you, volunteers of Missouri- Illinois for your stewardship.

OGT Collection Center - Highland Lakes Shares Resources

Orphan Grain Train Collection Center-Highland Lakes in Buchanan, Texas recently shared 11 boxes of school kits with Packsaddle Elementary School in Kingsland, Texas. In addition, they distributed eleven boxes of blankets and quilts to The Ark of Highland Lakes, a box of handmade knitted items to Dell Children's Hospital in Austen and a box of hygiene kits to the Community Resource Center in Kingsland. Thank you, volunteers of Highland Lakes for organizing all of these items that can be well-used by their recipients.

"Commit your works to the Lord, And your thoughts will be established."

Proverbs 16:3

Weekly Devotion

By Paul Leckband

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"To you I call, O Lord my Rock: do not turn a deaf ear to me. For if You remain silent, I will be like those who have gone down to the pit. Hear my cry for mercy as I call to You for help, as I lift up my hands toward Your Most Holy Place." Amen. (Ps. 28:1-2)

And the teachers of the law who came down from Jerusalem said, “He is possessed by Beelzebub! By the prince of demons He is driving out demons.” So Jesus called them and spoke to them in parables: “How can Satan drive out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. If a house is divided against itself, that house cannot stand. And if Satan opposes himself and is divided, he cannot stand; his end has come.” (Mark 3:22-26)

Beelzebub: In William Goldings’s classic novel, “Lord of the Flies,” he writes about a group of boys who are stranded on an island after their plane crashes. In the absence of any adults, they develop their own means of survival and work together. At first everything goes well, but eventually evil has its way with them and things begin to degenerate. They turn against each other and even kill some of their own. If it wasn’t for their timely rescue, it’s possible that they all would have destroyed one another. “Beelzebub” means “Lord of the Flies.” It’s an apt description. Even as flies congregate over decaying flesh, Satan hovers over humankind, because we suffer from the decay of sin and death. He relishes our decay. The teachers of the law commit a grave offense against Jesus when they accuse Him of being “possessed by Beelzebub” and for “driving out demons” “by the prince of demons.” Jesus easily refutes their accusations and warns them of the eternal consequences for those who reject Him. We are constantly threatened by Satan. He is the most powerful of demons, and we understandably fear him-or at least we should. Praise God-Jesus has defeated Satan! Already in the Garden of Eden, after Satan in the form of a serpent deceived Adam and Eve, which brought about a curse on all humankind, God speaks His first Gospel promise in the Bible: “And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; He will crush your head, and you will

strike His heel.” (Gen. 3:15) That offspring was Jesus-the Messiah, our Lord and Savior over sin, death, and Satan.

Thank You, dearest Jesus, that You have promised to protect us by the power of Your name. Sanctify us by the truth, for Your Word is the truth. Bless us in our efforts to accomplish Your mission and ministry in a world that hates You and hates us. Amen.



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