



Orphan Grain Train

Relief for Human Need Worldwide

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OGT Maryland - Cruise Night / June 26



Cruise Night - June 26th

East Park Shopping Center – 7900 Crain Hwy., Glen Burnie

5:00 – 9:00 p.m. to benefit

Orphan Grain Train

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GIVE HOPE ** CHANGE LIVES

An OGT truck will be on the premises to accept donations of clean, gently used clothing for men, women, and children. Please place all clothing in plastic bags.



Chinese
Auction

Monetary
donations
will also be
accepted!



Thank You for supporting our mission!

Learn more about Orphan Grain Train at www.ogt.org/md

If you are in the Orphan Grain Train Maryland area of Millersville come to Cruise Night and support our mission! In addition to a 50/50 raffle, we will have a basket raffle including hundreds of dollars in restaurant gift cards, scratch off lottery tickets, a Run in the Sun Bucket of Toys, Baskets

containing Patriotic Items, hot sauces and dips, car items, as well as a basket for lovers of Italian Food and a basket of cheer.

The Flying Kiwi Ice Cream Truck will also be there! Yum!

Bring your neighbors and friends! Hope to see you there!

OGT Disaster Relief / Jamaica

Hurricane Melissa brought destruction to Jamaica in October of 2025. Orphan Grain Train sent a state-of-the-art water filtration system to Jamaica to provide clean drinking water. This water filtration system is still being used in Jamaica. The system is set up in Parottee, Jamaica, in St. Elizabeth Parish, on the southwest coast of the island. Andre and Andrew, two

local residents, are still maintaining the large blue high-volume desalination system. They said that they are handing out the purified water five days a week.



Click on image above for link to video in Jamaica

Since Hurricane Melissa hit Jamaica in October 2025, there are still communities without clean drinking water easily available to them. Andrew and Andre serve over 2,000 people a month, handing out gallons of clean water where there is none.





Thank you, Andre, Andrew and Justin for managing and maintaining this system with such care, so that clean water is available to more people. Thank you, donors for your support of this on-going mission.

We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain.

Hebrews 6:19 NIV

OGT Mid-Atlantic / Republic of Georgia



Orphan Grain Train Mid-Atlantic's load to Republic of Georgia brought joy to the hearts of young children at a local kindergarten. The recipient's partnering organization "Biliki" visited a kindergarten in the village of Khabume and delivered toys to the children. Also included in this shipment were 195 boxes of Kids Against Hunger fortified meals, hygiene kits and supplies, blankets/linens and clothing. Thank you, Mid-Atlantic volunteers for preparing and packing items for physical needs but also items that bring pure enjoyment.

Turpa, of International Charity Organization wrote:

There is nothing more joyous than watching children enthusiastically try to open all the boxes to choose their favorite toys. They had a lot of fun and absolutely loved their gifts.

Blessings, Turpa

This is the day the Lord has made; let us
rejoice and be glad in it.” Psalm 118:24

NIV

OGT Wisconsin / Liberia



Orphan Grain Train Wisconsin loaded for Lutheran Aid in
Liberia and Pastor Kolie on Wednesday, June 17th. This load

contained church furnishings, choir robes and Bibles and hymnals. It also had physical nourishment: 209 boxes of Kids Against Hunger/Food for Kidz fortified meals and over 4,000 pounds of nonperishable food. Clothing for men, women and children along with hygiene kits and supplies are part of this load. There are bed frames and mattresses and linens, blankets and sleeping mats included in the container. Thank you to all the donors and volunteers who have made this load to Liberia possible. This load has been sent with the prayer that this shipment reaches its destination safely, serving the good purpose for which it was sent.

**The Lord will open the heavens, the
storehouse of his bounty, to send rain on
your land in season and to bless all the
work of your hands.**

Deuteronomy 28:12

New Mexico Drought / Domestic Aid



A second load of hay was delivered to Las Vegas, New Mexico in early June. Lowell Krieger delivered a load from Larry and Tracy Stetzel, Casey, Iowa. This is the second load that was donated by the Stetzels. The first load was taken to Western Nebraska after the devastating fires in March. New Mexico has had little to no rain for over a year, and the

ranchers reached out for assistance. Thank you, to all the donors for the generous donations of hay in the last few months. Thank you, Lowell for fitting in these deliveries between farming and personal and family responsibilities.

Photos:

Hay being loaded at the Stetzel farm in Casey, Iowa.

34 bales of hay headed to Las Vegas, New Mexico from Casey, Iowa.

Larry and Lowell after loading and securing the load.

**LWML Rocky Mountain / OGT Colorado West,
Castle Rock, Julesburg**





This is one of 45 quilts donated by attendees of the 2026 LWML Rocky Mountain District Convention held in Colorado Springs, CO on June 5-7, 2026. Orphan Grain Train was one of the three organizations that the attendees supported.

Around 500 hygiene kits, 5 boxes of school supplies and \$425 were donated to OGT Castle Rock. Mike Kozimko, OGT Castle Rock's manager, gave a 20-minute presentation and shared about OGT with the attendees. The hygiene kits will be sent to OGT Norfolk for distribution.

Thank you, to Louann from OGT Julesburg for setting up an OGT table and sharing with the attendees. Thank you, Linda, an OGT volunteer from Colorado West for hauling donations

in your truck. Thank you to the three Colorado OGT locations: Colorado West, Castle Rock and Julesburg. There is great synergy between the three locations as they carry out the mission of OGT.

But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

I Corinthians 15:57 NIV

LWML - North Wisconsin / OGT Wisconsin





North Wisconsin LWML women gathered in Marquette, Wisconsin for their biannual convention. Pete Gnan, Orphan Grain Train field work director, was at a booth sharing about OGT. The 260 attendees brought in kits, quilts and sleeping mats from their area churches. These were donated to Orphan Grain Train Wisconsin to be used in future shipments. Thank you, North Wisconsin ladies, for your

fantastic attendance and your generosity in sharing these items.

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

Psalm 95:1 NIV

LWML - South Dakota / OGT Milbank



Orphan Grain Train Milbank had a presence at the South Dakota State LWML convention in Rapid City on June 5 and 6. The delegates voted in favor of a grant for 5,000 dollars to make some improvements at the Milbank collection center building. Milbank will start with a new water heater to replace the one that was leaking. Nineteen quilts were given to OGT Milbank at the convention. OGT Milbank was able to get them

to the Pine Ridge reservation right from the convention via an LWML member who is involved with the reservation. Thank you, to the delegates who voted in favor of support to OGT Milbank for building improvements. That is such an encouragement to the volunteers who regularly spend time in the building. Thank you, to whomever brought in the nine quilts to be shared.

We love because He first loved us.

I John 4:19

**Immanuel Lutheran - Powell, Wyoming / OGT
Norfolk**



Myron, Dee and Shelley Heny from Powell, Wyoming delivered another load of donated items to Orphan Grain Train Norfolk on Thursday, June 19. Immanuel Lutheran Church in Powell conducted a clothing drive and then shared what was donated. They sorted and packed everything into totes and bags. While they were in Norfolk, they also visited a daughter and relatives in the area. Thank you, members of Immanuel Lutheran Church for putting together this drive and

taking such care in what you shared with OGT. Thank you, Myron, Dee and Shelley, for your willingness to travel to Norfolk with more than your suitcases, but also with items to share with others.

**Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his love endures forever. Psalm 188:1 NIV**



OF THE WEEK



Quilt #32

Do you recognize this quilt?

Every quilt has a story. Many beautiful and unique quilts are shared with Orphan Grain Train, but not their story. Quilts are sewn into the history of Orphan Grain Train. Quilts were

included on the first shipments to Latvia and Russia in 1993, and were given to children in orphanages.

Orphan Grain Train accepts quilts and blankets in all sizes, year-round.

All 27 Orphan Grain Train branches and collection centers receive donated quilts which are shipped by OGT to people in need both domestically and internationally.

Orphan Grain Train Convention 2026



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ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN CONVENTION 2026

SEPTEMBER 11 & 12, 2026

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN NORFOLK SERVANT CENTER

&
MIDTOWN EVENT CENTER

NORFOLK, NEBRASKA



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

- 4:00** Opening of Convention
- Ysleta Mariachi Band from Ysleta Lutheran Mission Human Care, El Paso, Texas
 - Karla Gonzalez – Interim Executive Director of Ysleta Lutheran Mission Human Care, El Paso
- 5:00** Three-Quilt Spotlight Auction Break
- 5:15** Dinner – Paul's Paellas from San Diego
- Introduction by Paul Dimech
- 6:15** Bar open
- Three Quilt Spotlight Auction Break
- 6:30** A conversation with Rev. Ray S. Wilke
- 7:30** Three Quilt Spotlight Auction Break
- Silent Auction Final Bids and Three-Quilt Auction Winners
 - Proceed to Checkout and Pickup your Treasures
- 8:00** Concordia Seward Choir

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

- 7:45** Doors open at Midtown Event Center
- 8:30** Opening Service
- 8:50** Toi Carter/Pastor Manning – New Orleans
- 9:30** North Carolina Disaster Recovery
- 10:15** Break
- 10:30** Dr. Pieper or Hyannis Connection/Jamaica Water Demonstration
- 11:00** Alla of Bible Orphan Ministry in Ukraine/Kirk and Brian Rosin

12:00 TO FAIR WELL

Finish up speakers/lunch served either as sit-down for conversation or to-go boxes offered



QUILT AUCTION

Orphan Grain Train will once again have a quilt auction. This year, twelve quilts will be juried by three professional quilters and auctioned Friday evening. We are asking that all quilts donated be new, stitched, not tied and of good quality. Since space is limited, only one quilt will be accepted from each donor or organization. There is no set size or quilt style. ALL quilts have to be received at the home office in Norfolk, NE before **August 1, 2026** and clearly marked "For Quilt Auction." If you have any questions, please contact Kamryn at (402) 371-7393



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Please mention that you are with Orphan Grain Train, tax not included with price.

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King or 2 Queen \$123.00
(402) 379-3833
4200 W. Norfolk Ave.

Holiday Inn

King or 2 Queen
\$149.00
(402) 379-1524
920 S. 20 St.

Hampton Inn

King or 2 Queen
\$149.00
(402) 379-3585
904 S. 20 St.

Fairfield
BY MARRIOTT

King or 2 Queen
(402) 370-2244
1302 Cyhawk Loop



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<https://visitorsnorfolkne.com/home/places-to-stay/>



Friday, September 11 and Saturday, September 12, 2026, is Orphan Grain Train's National Convention. Registration for this event is happening now. Go to www.ogt.org to sign up online or print off the registration form to mail to Norfolk.

Weekly Devotion



By Paul Leckband

OGT Director of Spiritual Correspondence

Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the man whose sin the Lord does not count against him and in whose spirit there is no deceit. When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to You and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord”—and You forgave the guilt of my sin. (Psalm 32:1-5)

David: Perhaps no Old Testament figure was more esteemed by the Jews than King David. He defeated their enemies and extended the boundaries of their kingdom. However, David had a dark side. In 2 Samuel Chapters 11-12 we read about David and Bathsheba. To refresh your memory, David commits adultery with Bathsheba, and she becomes

pregnant. David arranges for her husband Uriah to be treacherously killed in battle. After a suitable period of mourning, David takes Bathsheba to be his wife. If you're keeping score, King David is guilty of coveting, adultery and murder.

The prophet Nathan confronts David with his sin, and David repents. "I have sinned against the Lord," he confesses in 2 Samuel 12:13. David must still bear the consequences of his evil deeds. Those consequences are harsh, but the Lord forgives him. It is thought that Psalm 32 might be David's response to God's judgment and forgiveness.

We might think that we're not guilty of such great sins, but our hearts are sinful from the time of our conception. That is enough to damn us for eternity. Praise God! In His mercy He sent His Son Jesus to take away the sins of the world, bearing our transgressions as He died on the cross. God raised Jesus from the dead. God has had mercy on us. We

can confidently affirm with David, “You forgave the guilt of my sin.”

Thank You, O Lord, for You have forgiven the guilt of our sin. Amen.



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