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OGT Missouri - Illinois

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These donations of food and home products came from the Lutheran Women in Missions League (LWML) St. Louis West zone rally, held at Webster Gardens Lutheran Church, and from the church's Seniors Connect group. Every week, the Orphan Grain Train Missouri Illinois branch supplies four local Lutheran Church food pantries with food and needed

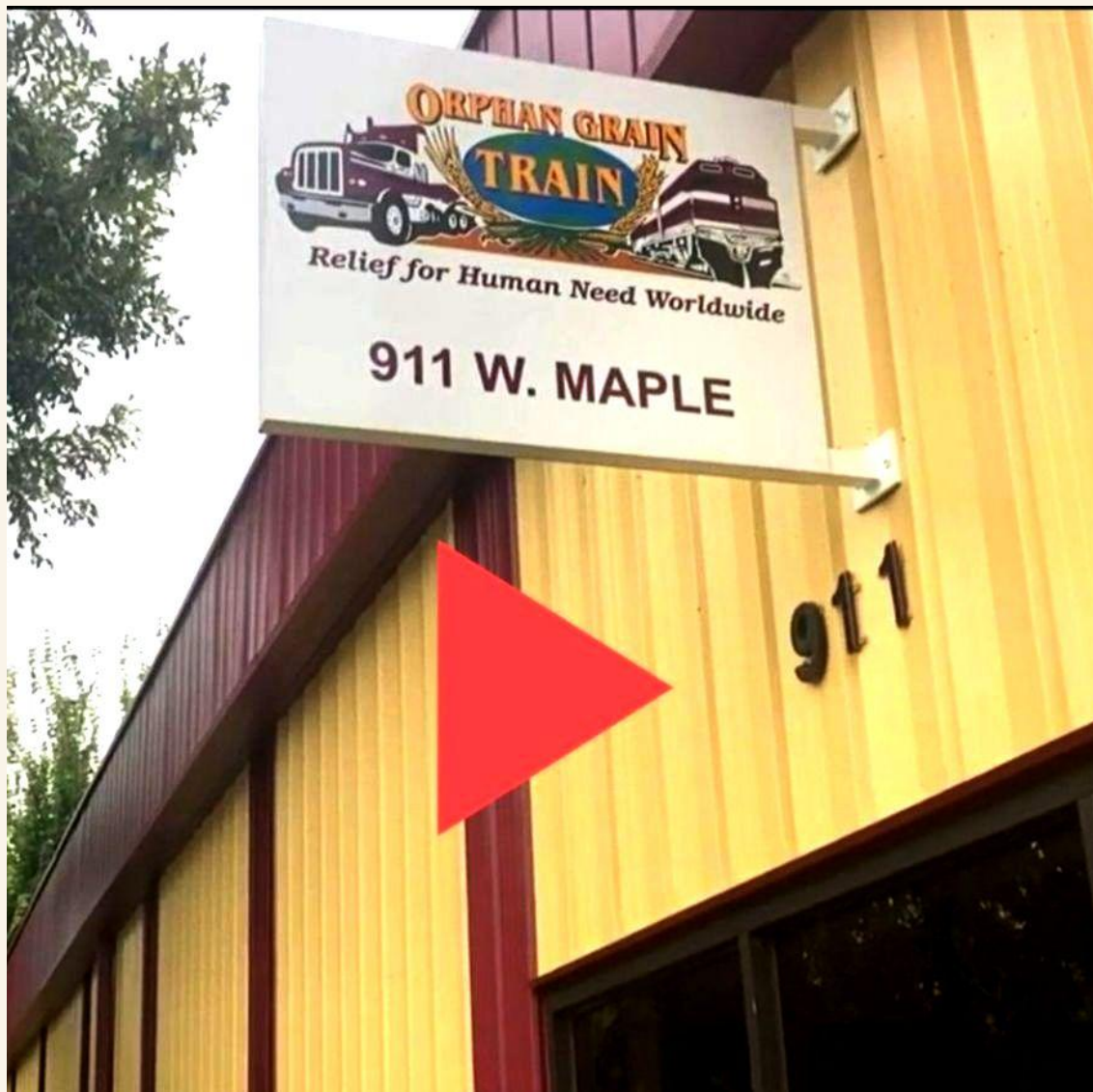
items for people in need. Thank you, LWML St. Louis West and Webster Gardens Seniors Connect for this generous donation of supplies. Thank you, to all the volunteers and donors who take the time to bring donated food and supplies to share with the food pantries in the St. Louis area.

Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share.

1 Timothy 6:18 NIV

OGT Wichita

<https://www.ogt.org/branches/wichita/>



May the Lord bring many faithful volunteers to OGT Wichita!

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OGT New England / Liberia

<https://www.ogt.org/branches/new-england/>



**Orphan Grain Train New England Announces
Assistance to the Gbarnga Mission in Liberia**

On October 12, 2026, volunteers for OGT New England Branch, located at 33 South Main St. in Terryville, Ct. delivered a box truck load of items to a warehouse in Providence RI to go on a shipment to the Gbarnga Lutheran Mission in Liberia. St. Paul's Lutheran church of Providence started this Mission for children in Liberia to provide education, food, hygiene and medical assistance. From constructing a building about 11 years ago, the school now has 230 students through the 8th grade and has added a full medical clinic.

On the shipment were four Treadle sewing machines which they use because there is not a reliable power supply. OGT has supplied treadle sewing machines in the past, which are serviced and put in good working order, to help with their learn to sew program which has seen some 35 women graduate who now can sew on their own for their families or sell items to make some income. Also included were 2 school desks, 55 school backpack kits, 3 boxes of sewing supplies,

72 Hygiene kits which include a towel, soap, comb, toothbrush, etc. and two boxes of Towels. A set of large-size Teacher instruction books were also added.

In the past, OGT has sent hospital beds, medical supplies, Food, clothing and other items to help support the Mission. Other shipments have gone to missions in countries on four continents as well as Appalachia and hurricane relief for Puerto Rico, Florida, Kentucky and North Carolina. The Branch also helps those locally in New England, giving medical items that have been donated to individuals in need and thru the visiting nurse and hospice care organizations of the area. The effort is an Outreach Ministry of the Lutheran Church, and OGT is a 501(3)(C) charity affiliated with the church and supported locally by Holy Trinity Lutheran in Terryville and Immanuel Lutheran in Bristol and is open to all who want to help others. For more information, please call Holy Trinity at 860-582-0723 and/or check out the ogt.org website.

St. Paul Lutheran Church / OGT Lincoln

<https://www.ogt.org/branches/lincoln/>







Eleven quilters from St Paul Lutheran Church in St Joseph, Missouri made 55 beautiful quilts and 58 lap robes to donate to Orphan Grain Train Lincoln. The 4th grade class at the church helped display all the quilts for the blessing of the quilts. Thank you, St. Paul Lutheran of St. Jo, Missouri for this amazing donation of quilts and lap robes. Your hands have been very busy piecing these together so that they can be shared with others.

**Not to us, Lord, not to us
but to your name be the glory,
because of your love and faithfulness.**

Psalm 115:1 NIV

OGT Highland Lakes

<https://www.ogt.org/branches/highland-lakes/>



In September, Orphan Grain Train Highland Lakes in Buchanan Dam, Texas delivered blankets, and men's, women's and children's coats to four locations in the area: Pittsburg Baptist Church in Llano, First Baptist Church in Kingsland, Kingland Sharing the Harvest in Kingland and Bertram Community Cupboard in Bertram. They also shared two boxes of shoes with Packsaddle Elementary School in Kingland. Thank you, OGT Highland Lakes Volunteers for gathering, packing and delivering these needed items to places where they can be shared with other people.

The Lord your God is with you, He is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you, He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing.

Zephaniah 3:17 NIV

Elava Global / OGT Phoenix

<https://www.ogt.org/branches/phoenix/>



Today, October 10, nine volunteers from Elava Global, came to the Orphan Grain Train Phoenix warehouse and sorted donations and helped fill 127 boxes. Elava Global is a student-led nonprofit organization founded in July 2026 by Jayden Konki. (Jayden is the 4th from the left, light blue t-shirt) It is dedicated to promoting health equity and eliminating health disparities through community service, local action and education, primarily operating with a network of volunteers in Arizona. These young people worked tirelessly for four hours. OGT-Phoenix welcomes them to their volunteer base and are delighted that they chose to spend part of their day with Orphan Grain Train. Thank you, Elava Global!

Elava (means "alive" in Finnish language)

For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will

be made alive.

I Corinthians 15:22 NIV

Our Savior Lutheran Youth / OGT Norfolk

<https://www.ogt.org/branches/norfolk-warehouse/>



Our Savior Lutheran Church high school youth and their two leaders volunteered at Orphan Grain Train Norfolk on Sunday, October 11th. This amazing group of students understood the mission and accomplished great things: sorting and packing school supplies, hygiene supplies, clothing and diapers. Thank you, for coming to OGT Norfolk and making an impact by volunteering. Nicely done!

Behold! I give you power. Not weakness and fear and timidity and cowardice, not inability, but ability.

Luke 10:19 NIV

First Plymouth Church Youth / OGT Lincoln

<https://www.ogt.org/branches/lincoln/>



On Sept 26, the Youth Group along with their leader Tori Malizza and parents from First Plymouth Church, Lincoln, Ne. sorted and packed humanitarian aid at the Orphan Grain Train Lincoln warehouse. They completed two pallets and helped clean the warehouse. This all after their weekend retreat with no sleep! Amazing energy to serve the Lord! Thank you, First Plymouth youth and your leaders, for choosing to spend your weekend at OGT Lincoln!

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, you

whom I love and long for, my joy and
crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way,
dear friends!

Philippians 4:1 NIV

OGT Michigan / Republic of Georgia

<https://www.ogt.org/branches/michigan/>



Thank you, to all the dedicated volunteers, donors and to Christ the King Lutheran students who made this shipment to Republic of Georgia possible on Thursday, September 24, 2026.

We praise you Lord for leading the way as a servant and asking us to follow.

OGT Wisconsin / Multiple States

<https://www.ogt.org/branches/wisconsin/>



Orphan Grain Train Wisconsin delivered several loads of potatoes to Texas, Kentucky, South Dakota and Louisiana. In the fall, the branch shared 20,000 to 40,000 pounds of potatoes with each recipient-either the full load or half of the load. Photos are of an early September delivery that went to Latin American Lutheran Mission in Laredo, Texas. Thank you, OGT Wisconsin for sharing this food with so many people in so many places.

I rejoiced with those who said to me,

'Let's go to the house of the LORD

Psalms 122:1 (NIV)

OGT Central Nebraska

<https://www.ogt.org/branches/central-nebraska/>











It was cleanup day at Orphan Grain Train Central Nebraska in Grand Island, Nebraska. Thank you, to all the OGT Central Nebraska volunteers who showed up on that brisk morning to clean up the site for the fall workday. 😊

Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for

human masters.

Colossians 3:23 NIV

Wells Fargo Auto Division / OGT Phoenix

<https://www.ogt.org/branches/phoenix/>



Orphan Grain Train Phoenix received forty-four hygiene kits from OGT Phoenix volunteer Stephanie Arruda-Sanderson and her team at Wells Frago Auto Division. This was one of their quarterly team engagement activities. Stephanie used a Thrivent Action Card to purchase the needed supplies. These hygiene kits will be sent to local food banks and homeless organizations in the metro Phoenix area. Thank you to team Stephanie!

(Stephanie is the second person on the right.)

And the Levites—Jeshua, Kadmiel, Bani, Hashabneiah, Sherebiah, Hodiah, Shebaniah and Pethahiah—said: “Stand up and praise the Lord your God, who is from everlasting to everlasting.”

Nehemiah 9:5 NIV

OGT Iowa West / Republic of Georgia

<https://www.ogt.org/branches/iowa-west/>



This is the Orphan Grain Train Iowa West team that came to pack the container for recipients in the Republic of Georgia. On Tuesday, October 13, 2026, all of these people played a part in completing the load and sending the truck on its way. Thank you, Iowa West volunteers for your strong presence and servant hearts for The Lord.

Holy Cross Lutheran Church - Scottsdale / OGT

Phoenix

<https://www.ogt.org/branches/phoenix/>



Members of Holy Cross Lutheran Church-Scottsdale collected hygiene products and made 85 hygiene kits and four handmade blankets, for Orphan Grain Train Phoenix. Pictured are members Andy and Amy Gill, who delivered these to the Phoenix warehouse on September 26. The kits will be given to the Church on the Street-Phoenix, AZ and the Meals to Grow Program at Matthew's Crossing Food Bank-Chandler, AZ. Those are organizations that OGT Phoenix works with on a very regular basis. The blankets will go the Navajo Evangelical Lutheran Mission in Rock, Point, AZ. Thank you, members of Holy Cross for this generous donation that will benefit so many people in the area.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Matthew 5:9 NIV

OGT Norfolk / Philippines

<https://www.ogt.org/branches/norfolk-warehouse/>





Pastor Ryan Tormentar of Christian Missionary Baptist Church in San Isidro, Toboso, Negros Occidental, welcomed the recent shipment of goods from Orphan Grain Train Norfolk. The container held 210 boxes of blankets, student school desks and tables, furniture and 438 solar lights. In

addition, there were 70 boxes of layette kits, 70 boxes of hygiene kits and 35 boxes of school kits. The ten bicycles and boxes of toys brought delight to many children. Included in the load were 20 sewing machines and 109 bundles of new laminate flooring. OGT Norfolk is grateful to our donors who shared many of these items and supported the shipment of this load.

How can a young person stay on the path of purity?

**By living according to your Word. I seek you with all my heart;
do not let me stray from your commands.**

Psalm 119:9-10 NIV

Mercy Meals of Siouxland / OGT Norfolk





Mercy Meals Shipping / Receiving - September 26, 2026! The Orphan Grain Train truck arrived at 10 AM on September 22, 206! Boxes of dried vegetable flakes and nutrient packets, bags of soy and unassembled boxes were unloaded from the truck. The truck was then loaded with 69,984 Mercy Meals, along with 18 quilts, 16 boxes of shirts, and more! All will be delivered worldwide by OGT Norfolk.

**The hungry will be fed, those in need will
receive shirts & quilts and all will hear the
Good News of Jesus! Thank you to all who
helped with Shipping/Receiving!**

Lincoln 21st Century Lions Club / OGT Lincoln

<https://www.ogt.org/branches/lincoln/>



Four members of the Lincoln 21st Century Lions Club made their regular visit to Orphan Grain Train Lincoln. The group completed 2,376 Mercy Meals, put together ten hygiene kits, and assembled seven layette kits. In addition, the Club members presented OGT Lincoln with a check to cover the cost of the products used to make the Mercy Meals. Thank you, Lincoln 21st Century Lions Club members for your

amazing afternoon of work! We are grateful for the Lion's Club and OGT Lincoln's blessed partnership.

OGT Adopt-an-Orphanage / Ukraine

<https://www.ogt.org/special-projects/3300/>







Alla of Bible Orphan Ministry of Ukraine said that the Teterivka, Nova Borova, Korostishiv, Denshi and Kmitiv orphanages in Ukraine are currently asking for help with food supplies and generators for the winter so they can get through this difficult period without having to worry about this issue.

In addition, Kmitiv is asking for help in purchasing 15–20 bunk beds for the bomb shelter. Conditions there are quite uncomfortable, and the children have nowhere to play or sleep during air raid alerts.

These photos were sent by Alla of Ukraine. They are of the Kmitiv bombshelter that is used by the orphanage during air

raid alerts.

Lord, we pray for peace in Ukraine.

OGT Central Nebraska / Ysleta Lutheran Mission Human Care

<https://www.ogt.org/branches/central-nebraska/>



Orphan Grain Train Central Nebraska filled a dry van trailer with items to be shared with Ysleta Lutheran Mission Human Care and the people in the El Paso, Texas area. This was a load that required a plan for secure packing: one piano, 29 church pews, 64 pieces of furniture and ten bicycles. In addition, there were 165 boxes of Mercy Meals and boxes of clothing for men, women and children. Thank you, OGT Central Nebraska volunteers for showing up on that rainy morning to load the truck. Thank you, Ysleta Mission members for always being there at the other end ready to help unload with joyful hearts.

OGT / Ysleta Lutheran Mission Human Care

<https://www.ogt.org/the-need/>







Good to see our friends at Ysleta. God is so good! On October 2, 2026, Yslet Lutheran Mission Human Care shared this post:

Our staff and volunteers came together to unload a fully loaded trailer from Orphan Grain Train, Inc.! 🚂💛❤️ We are grateful for the generous donors near and far who make these deliveries possible, and for every helping hand that gets these blessings ready for our community. Changing lives every day through simple acts of kindness. God is good! 🙌❤️

Weekly Devotion



By Paul Leckband

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There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even

the dogs came and licked his sores. The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. In hell, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus at his side . . . (The rich man) answered, "Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my father's house, for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place in torment." Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them." "No, father Abraham," he said, "but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent." He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead." (Luke 17:19-23, 27-31)

Lazarus: We read in the New Testament about two men named Lazarus. One was the brother of Mary and Martha, whom Jesus raised from the dead. The other was Lazarus, the poor “beggar,” mentioned in Jesus’ parable of the rich man and Lazarus. To recap, Lazarus died and is taken to heaven. The rich man dies and ends up in hell. He begs father Abraham, “Have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.” (Luke 16:24) Father Abraham’s answer is, “No.”

Then he begs Abraham to send Lazarus to testify to his “five brothers.” Abraham replies that “they have [the testimony of] Moses and the prophets.” He further adds, “If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.” How true! Jesus was widely known to have risen from the dead, just as “Moses and the prophets” had testified, yet He was still rejected by many.

It was Lazarus' trust in God and not his poverty that saved him. What about the rich man's riches? Was it his riches that sent him to "hell?" I don't think so. I'd say it was because he put his trust in his wealth rather than in God. It's a warning to us. St. Paul writes to Timothy, "People who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness." (1 Tim. 6:9-11)

Heavenly Father, may we never put our trust in money, but wholly put our trust in You. And may Your love for us inspire us

to use our wealth to benefit those in need.

In Jesus' name. Amen.



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