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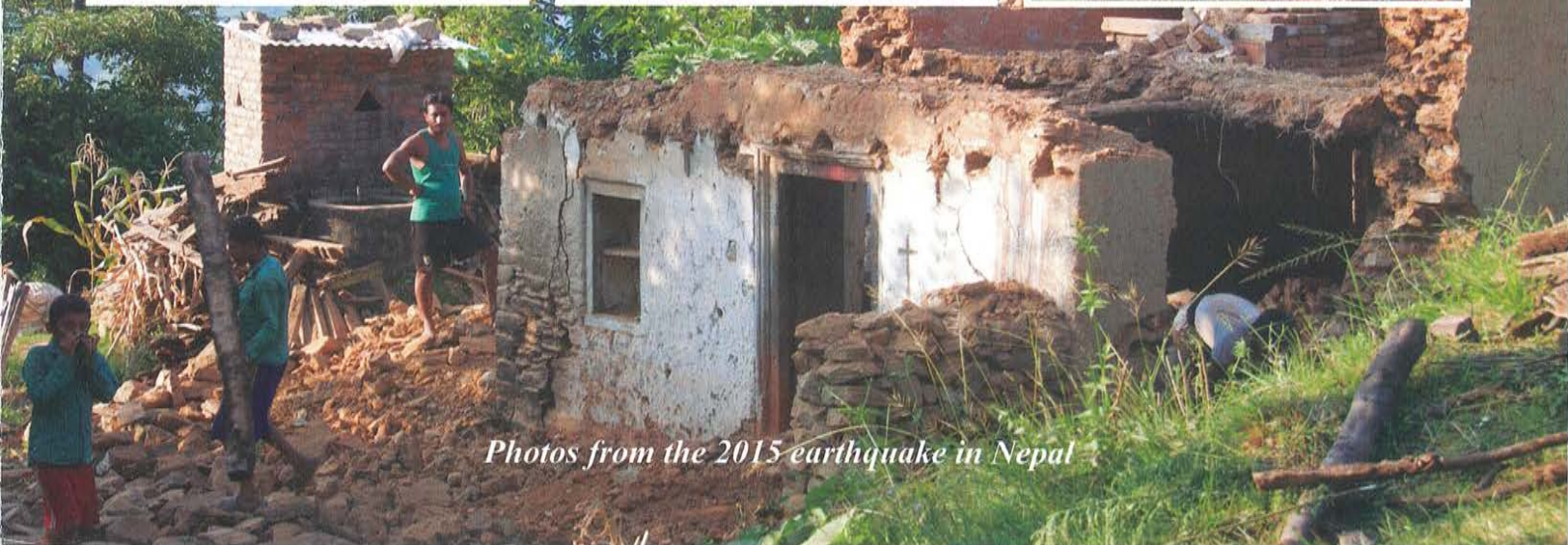
THE NEXT CHAPTER ...

Last year we celebrated 10 years of fulfilling our mission. Now we begin the next chapter of feeding hungry people around the world. What story will that next chapter tell? It will tell the story of feeding even more hungry people, of meeting their needs right where they are and of showing them the love of Christ. But it will also tell the story of a very exciting addition to our mission: our new warehouse.

This year will mark the completion of our very own warehouse on our own campus. This warehouse is more than just a building. It will allow us to reach even more people around the world, to respond more quickly to urgent needs and to serve even more people within our own nation.

It's not too late for you to join us in this next chapter. The warehouse is under construction and the dedication will take place on June 25. We cannot wait to cut the ribbon and fill the shelves, but before we get to that point, we invite you to be a part of changing lives through this building. God has given us a vision and we know He will provide. We give thanks for everyone who has already joined with us through financial gifts and creative fundraising, such as garage sales, bake sales, eating beans and rice for a week, and even riding 1,000 miles on a motorcycle to the Mackinac Bridge.

Take a look at the stories of changed lives that are in the pages of this newsletter. Each of these stories exists because someone said, "Yes, I want to be a part of that."



Photos from the 2015 earthquake in Nepal



Malawi:

One Child at a Time

For years, we have seen the desperate need in Malawi and we have responded with food. One of our partners is Iris Africa who distributes food each month to 1,500 vulnerable households to help these families survive their impoverished circumstances. The food is given to children like Mwaiwawo, Moffat, Roza and Gracious.

After the death of their parents, the children went to stay at the home of their elder sister, Joyce, who is married and has three children of her own. As subsistent farmers in the climate of southern Malawi that is susceptible to annual floods or droughts, yields are most often far from enough. Ultra poor, and overwhelmed by the extra mouths to feed on the little harvest they gleaned, her own children's bodies weakening with malnutrition, and fear that the worsening situation could have grave consequences for her immediate family, Joyce abandoned her siblings at the home of the village chief. Social welfare intervened with an assessment which resulted in approval for the children to be transferred to Iris Africa Children's Homes.



With the help of the meals we have provided, they are receiving proper nutrition to increase their capacity for life and for learning. The pneumonia and malaria that they brought with them have been healed. Their undernourished weak bodies are becoming strong. New friendships are being enjoyed. Education is being pursued at the Iris Africa primary school and they are all showing tremendous progress.

Haiti:

2.2 Million Meals in 12 Months

In Matthew 14, Jesus performed one of his many miracles, feeding the 5,000. His disciples wanted to "send the crowds away," but Jesus replied, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat." God has allowed us to do the same work of "giving them something to eat." We sent over 2.2 million meals to Port Au Prince in just one year. These meals were distributed by our partner Fishers of Men Ministries. The meals were given to children, the elderly and others in desperate need, including nearly 4,000 children who are being fed each day in over 20 schools and orphanages throughout the nation.



Israel:

A New Chapter for New Immigrants

Imagine arriving in your homeland where you can finally settle and lay down roots. Imagine both the joy and the uncertainty of settling into your new home. To ease the transition of Ukrainian immigrants to Israel, Feeding The Nations partnered with Beit Hallel Congregation, Voice of Judah Israel and Global Aliyah. We provided essential household items, food packets, legal assistance and, most importantly, prayer and fellowship to 50 Ukrainian immigrants who are new arrivals to their homeland of Israel.



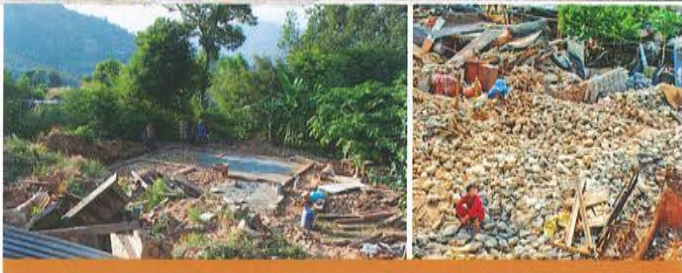
Ukraine:

Basic Needs and Special Gifts

In 2015, Feeding The Nations provided our partner Svetlana from Heart to Heart Ministry in the Ukraine with funding to help Eastern Ukrainians who were fleeing the war zone. Later in the year, we provided Svetlana with additional funds of \$5,000 to purchase much needed items, such as food, blankets and personal care products, even some special gifts including apples, oranges and bananas for the elderly. Fruit that commonly sits on the counters of American homes (and even gets tossed instead of eaten when it over ripens) is a rare luxury to many Ukrainians. Some of the elderly had never even tasted a banana.

Just \$5,000 impacted the lives of many on this mission, including those who gave and those who received. Something as simple as the luxury of fresh fruit or the day-to-day need of soap and shampoo showed these people that they are loved and that their lives matter.

Thank you for all you do!

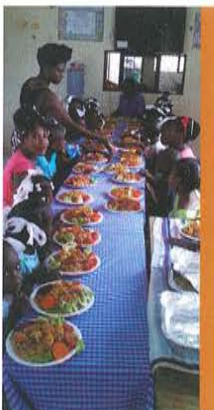


Nepal:

Emergency Aid

A devastating 7.8-magnitude earthquake rocked Nepal on Saturday, April 25, 2015. More than 8,000 people were killed as a result. Survivors were in desperate need of food and clean water. In response, we teamed with ChurchAsia who was on the ground in Nepal. They needed our help to provide more food and clean water for those whose lives had been turned upside down by this natural disaster.

FTN sent \$10,700.00 to help with these relief efforts. It has gone to provide food, temporary shelter in the form of tents and now to permanent homes. These homes can be built for around \$1500 a piece. What an opportunity! Thankfully we were able to help in this time of great need.



Cuba:

Accomplishing a Mission

Feeding The Nations sent food to Havana Baptist Theological Seminary in Cuba. The food helped feed 700 students and 100 professors at the seminary. Barbaro Marrero, president of the seminary, said, "We always struggle with the challenge of feeding that amount of people, so this contribution represents a relief and necessary support to accomplish the important mission the Lord has given us. The dried soup we received this time (72,000 servings) has been very well accepted by everybody, because not only is it quite rich in nutrients but also is very tasty. That's a perfect combination! May the Lord continue

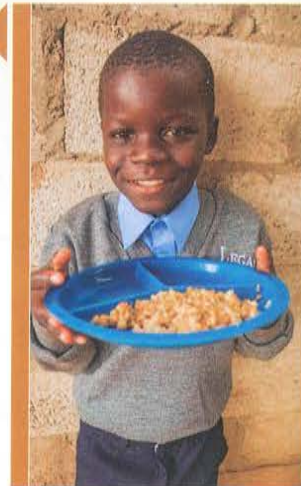
abundantly blessing this beautiful ministry. Thank you again for this relevant contribution for the extension of God's Kingdom."

Zambia:

Feeding Thousands

Through our partnership with organizations like Gleanings for the Hungry, Stop Hunger Now and Feed My Starving Children, we feed over 10,000 kids each day in Lusaka, Zambia, who are being served by Family Legacy Missions International. These meals nourish the students, so they can stay focused and alert during class instead of distracted by hunger.

We provided over 870,000 meals that will be distributed over several months. The supplies in this shipment will bless students at Legacy Academy schools and elsewhere over the months to come, giving them food security, so they can focus on studying.



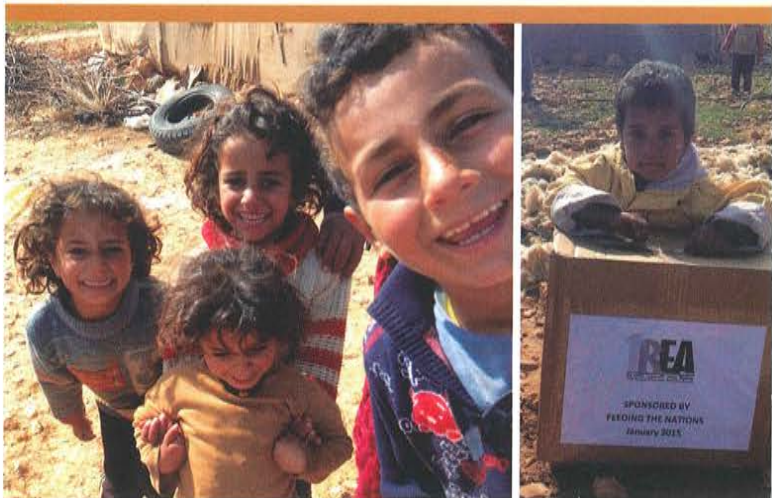
Meals also went to over 600 orphaned and vulnerable children living at the Tree of Life Children's Village. Not only did the food offer important nourishment and something beyond the more common staple of corn meal, but it also gave the children the chance to cook. As a result, the children had the opportunity to practice a vital life skill and they were more attentive in class thanks to full bellies.

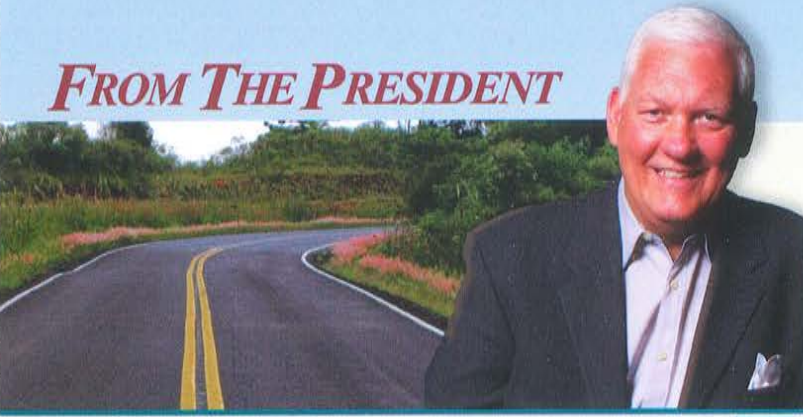
Lebanon:

The Refugee Crisis

Over a million Syrian refugees have sought shelter in Lebanon alone where our partner, Pastor George Saad of the Rock Eternal Association, lives. We have provided him with funds to purchase food and necessities for hundreds of refugee families within his country. Families who are receiving these supplies have come face-to-face with ISIS. One man had two large companies and a large home in Syria. ISIS took control of his companies and home, making it an official asset for their troops. The man and his family fled to Lebanon, leaving everything behind. They now live in an empty room. The man, his wife and three kids sleep on the floor and they have no food.

As Pastor Saad said, "Not only were people touched by the giving and loving ministry, they were also touched by the Holy Spirit. Many have accepted Christ as savior and have asked to attend Bible study and become members in the church. Moreover, even though being in a foreign country and away from family, they have felt a sense of belonging at church. One of the persons who has received a food box said, 'Through the love you have given me you have shown me who Christ is, and because of that I deny Islam and follow Jesus!'"





A New Chapter with Fresh Opportunities.

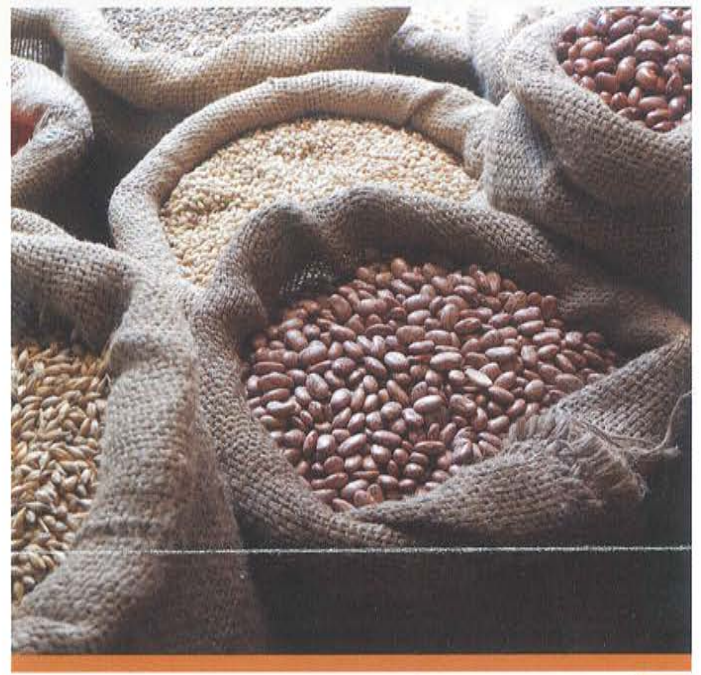
Every new year brings fresh opportunity. Now we begin a new chapter of ministry, thanking God for what has happened in the past, but determined not to dwell there. By the grace of God, our outreaches have been completed and many good miraculous things have happened. But that is history. Now, we move on to our next assignments.

The weight of the global need is great. We must continue to rise to the challenge and move forward because the “commission” continues. There are many parts of our world that have not been reached and we know the harvest is ready. What Jesus spoke about in Matthew 24 is still coming to pass. “Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his master made ruler over his household, to give them food in due season? Blessed is that servant whom his master when he comes, will find so doing.” (Matthew 24:45-46)

We continue the work of the Lord—new and on-going commitments—that are blessing many around the world. We believe more doors will open and we look for ways to “keep His word” by sharing His love and truth with the world. (Revelation 3:8) We thank God that he has “set before us an open door, and no man can shut it.”

Feeding The Nations begins a new chapter of ministry looking forward with hope and trust. We are confident God will enable us to do even more than what has been accomplished this last decade. He is ever faithful!

“Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end, Amen.” (Ephesians 3:20-21)



Eating from Someone Else's Bowl

About 2.8 billion people live on less than \$2 a day. Last summer we asked: What if instead of walking in someone else's shoes, we chose to eat from someone else's bowl for one week? As a result, we created the Beans and Rice Challenge where participants spent one week eating beans and rice for at least one meal per day. They then donated the money saved on meals that week. It was a great challenge and shifted our perspectives from full pantries and a desire to hit the drive-thru on the way home, to instead consider how nearly half the world's population eats each day and do something to make a difference.

The Beans and Rice Challenge for 2016 is June 13-17. Mark your calendars and plan to join us in eating from someone else's bowl.

A Different Kind of Donation

Do you ever see a need in the world and want to do something about it, but you don't know where to start? That's how Jeff Nicolet felt. At first.

For the past 11 years, Jeff has combined his desire to help the hungry and his enjoyment of motorcycles by embarking on a 1,000-mile motorcycle ride to the Mackinac Bridge. He uses his ride as a way to collect donations, helping to bridge the gap between where he is in Indiana and where the food goes to other countries.

Jeff has proven that there are many ways to make a difference. The question is: how can your passion help feed children around the world?

New & Improved

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