

Serving as Summer Staff



During our summer fruit season, an average of 100 young people serve at *Gleanings* on a weekly basis. These volunteers constitute the main work force for processing the thousands of pounds of fruit that passes through the plant daily.

Behind this group of volunteers we have a group of dedicated young leaders who make sure the summer schedule runs smoothly. They help out in all areas of production, as well as driving forklifts and collecting fruit from our donor partners, helping with daily maintenance and housekeeping chores.

The Summer Staff Leader, Eliane Erickson, has put together a mini Discipleship Training program that each of the young leaders is enrolled in. The program involves getting to know God, and growing as a leader. Opportunities for leading and modelling servant leadership abound. We are blessed by the young people who have come to serve here at *Gleanings* for the summer and are excited to see the Lord move in their lives. We are thankful for all the hard work put into ministering to these young leaders, by volunteer Lori Bedwell and fulltime *Gleanings*' staff Eliane Erickson, Fritz Meier, and Andrzej Gooch.



The fruit plant is currently running at full production. Please continue to pray for our volunteers' safety and that the machinery will not break down. Also pray and give thanks for donations of fruit. So far we have seen a consistent number of bins delivered every day.

We are still accepting applications for the Discipleship Training School starting in October this year. More information and application forms can be obtained from our website or by contacting the office for assistance.



Our Summer Staff Say : Chris Ralston - "I have been coming to *Gleanings* for close to ten years now and through coming back I have been completely changed. God has grown me up to what I am today."

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law." Galatians 5 : 22



Carmin Blackstock - "Throughout my time on summer staff I have met some of the most incredible people and had the opportunity to make an impact in this world. In summer staff a bond is formed between individuals of totally different backgrounds and life experiences, that is unbreakable. This bond is nurtured by comradery and sealed by unconditional love"



Cambodia

*FCOP ministries,
Cambodia*

“Bad news! Our rice is almost gone! We have only a few tons left to mill. We have distributed enough for the month of June, and we’re looking for a big rice harvest in mid July.

“My dream is to someday have three meals a day”

8 year old
Hernando,
Philippines



But with two ton per day consumption, we’re short.

Good news! Our heroes, *Reach Now International, Feed My Starving Children, The Butte County Rice Growers and Far West Rice*, along with our old standby, *Gleanings for the Hungry* are shipping containers full of rice, Rice Nutrition Meals, and lots of other valuable commodities that will keep us healthy beyond the harvest. “Thank you!” seems too small an expression to relay our gratitude. May the Lord reward you all!”

Moldova

“We thank you from the bottom of the heart on behalf of the Church “*Golgota*” together with the children from the *CRI in Community* Balti, for your care and attention to us. We will enjoy the soup mix that we have received from you. This soup will be very useful for our bodies.”

“We bring you sincere thanks on behalf of the *Christian Evangelical Church Bilicenii Vechi* together with the children from the *CRI in*



Community Belicini Venci for your care and support. It is easier to go through the different difficulties when you feel that somebody takes care of you. The soup that you sent us is very useful for the preparing of food. May God bless you and reward you for all good you do for us.”

“The above quotes are taken from two letters from churches in Moldova. These churches participate in *Mission Without Border*’s new outreach to poor children. It is part of *Children Rescue International* and called *CRI in Community*. There are various churches that partner with *MWB* to reach poor children, who do not live in a childrens’ home, yet need to be ministered to since their family is fractured or they may be living with a grandparent or other relative. The children participate in our regular programs in cooperation/partnership with a local church. We are now about 18 months into this program and finding that it reaches another untouched group of children.”

Philippines

“Hunger and unsanitary living conditions have taken a toll on Hernando’s body. His frame is tiny and he suffers from a skin disease that is common among children in the Philippines who are living in extreme poverty. The disease consumes much of his body. But Hernando has recently found a glimmer of hope after being enrolled in *Convoy of Hope*’s children’s feeding program in his neighborhood. When he first came into the program, he was literally starving to death. Now, Hernando receives a meal everyday through *Convoy of Hope* and its supporters and sometimes is able to bring home food to his family.”

Please pray for containers en route:

Israel
Mexico
Nicaragua
Fiji
Zambia
Guatemala
Cambodia
D R Congo
Tanzania
Burkina Faso

