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Miracles of Provision Every Step Of The Way



Soup Ingredients From Canada



Volunteers Bagging Soup



Dried Soup Mix Going Out

God hears people crying out for help: migrants, orphans, and people serving the poor. God hears them cry out for food and for hope. Meanwhile, God has farmers who are planting peas and lentils, sometimes whole fields, designated to give. God has the answer already growing, already on the way. God knows the perfect time for it to arrive.

It starts with the farmers. Most of our peas and lentils come from farmers in Saskatchewan. God moves on each farmer's heart to be generous. The miracle happens when a farmer says, "Even though I could sell this food, I will donate it instead—to save lives and share the gospel."

Each person who says "Yes" along the way is an important part of this miraculous movement. Yes, I will donate food. Yes, I will process the food. Yes, I will drive and deliver the food. Yes, I will donate funds. Yes, I will show up and pack the food. Yes, I will receive the shipment. Yes, I will cook the soup. Yes, I will give freely of my time, strength, and resources.

Each truck that drives onto our property with a delivery of peas, lentils, oats, pasta, dried fruit, or other supplies is a miracle from God. We watch the food arrive, we process and bag the food, we pray over it, and we watch the truckloads of food drive away.

The food moves where God wants it to go. He makes a way. Faithful truckers have committed to haul bushels of peas and lentils to the processor any time we need it. Bison Transport, which is a Canadian trucking company, has agreed to haul all our grains from Canada to California at a fraction of the normal cost. Every time you see a Bison truck coming through the *Gleanings* gate, it is a miracle of God's provision.

We are grateful to each one who says "Yes". You make the miracle of providing food to the needy possible - every company and individual who donates resources or finances, every volunteer, every staff member who serves, every missionary who distributes food and shares God's love, and... Thank you!

Please Pray For Shipments En-Route

We praise God we have been able to continue preparing dried soup mix for shipment throughout the Covid-19 pandemic and the summer season. Some food donation ministries that are part of the supply chain for our partner ministries have stopped producing food for a time. This, and the increased need due to pandemic conditions, has made each bag of soup even more valuable. We have been able to release many shipments of soup and other items this year. The list is quite long, and many shipments have already reached their destination. Here are some of the shipments we would like prayer for: Cambodia, El Salvador, eSwatini, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Philippines, and Venezuela. Due to the sensitive nature of some countries we cannot openly share other destinations for now, but please pray for sensitive area shipments.



Ministry Report Dominican Republic



Our ministry partner *Kinship United* gave us feedback from the Dominican Republic (DR). Tourists enjoy the beautiful miles of coastline along the north coast of the Dominican Republic, but the flat, dry land surrounding the *Kinship* property is used for cattle farming and growing sugar cane.

A batey is a 'company town' consisting of barracks and a few houses where men, women, and children who work in the sugar cane fields live. When we think of a house, we think of all the comforts of home, but those living in batey's sleep on foam mats and have no facilities, such as toilets. They are either poor people from the DR or have been rounded up in Haiti and brought across the border. Their documents are taken, then they are put to work on the plantations, making only \$2 per week. Since the government ruled that these workers are "in transit", they have no rights and cannot obtain legal help. To survive, they comb through the dumps behind the hotels for everything they need, including food, clothes, and items to sell. Hotels are currently closed, so the needs of those who eat from the dump are even more dire.

One *Kinship* worker wrote, "These have been very trying times in the DR due to the pandemic and it actually feels like everyone is for themselves, no one is concerned about their neighbor, but God is using us to provide for this forgotten groups of people. I imagine this is what the Lord meant when he told us that doing good to the helpless people is the same as doing it unto him."

Kinship has set up a 24/7 Orphan Care Center, an Emergency Feeding Station and Shelter Facility, and a Medical Infirmary. They provide famine relief management and do evangelism and discipleship to those in their care and to the surrounding areas.

Please pray for *Kinship's* workers, for those they care for, and for God to send workers to help and to fight for freedom for those enslaved by a godless system.











I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering. Exodus 3:7

Director's

Corner

Dear Friend,

"Discover creative ways to encourage others and to motivate them toward acts of compassion, doing beautiful works as expressions of love." Hebrews 10:24 TPT

Thanks for reading our newsletter and for standing with us. Our model of ministering through the church body has been challenged. Lately, we produce with a machine and few volunteers. In our hearts there is a missing part! We miss welcoming the people and we miss seeing hundreds of young and old participate and excitedly serve. Gleanings is like a bird with two wings. The first wing is the ministry and production that happens right here on our base. The second wing is our partnership with organizations and people serving the needy through our food. To soar, we need both wings working. We appreciate your prayers for direction and guidance to navigate these times. You are missed here, and we pray for all of you, our dear friends, to walk in faith and in the peace of Christ.

Blessings,

Fritz Meier