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FAREWELL: SHELDON AND CAROL MUNRO

Back in 2006, Sheldon and Carol Munro came to *Gleanings* to visit Rod and Colleen Lawrence, their friends from Dawson Creek. While they were here, Sheldon joined an outreach to bring dried peaches to an Indian reservation in New Mexico, and the director mentioned that he and Carol would be a perfect fit for full-time staff.

The couple completed a DTS at *Gleanings* in 2007 with their three young kids, Seth, Kalina, and Kaiden. Afterward, they returned to Canada, but they soon realized God was calling them to move to California. "I remembered this word of wisdom that helped guide

our decision," Carol said. "When you are not sure what to do, look at where God is moving and join Him there." In 2010, they joined the *Gleanings* staff. "Jesus brought us to *Gleanings*," Sheldon said.

Over the past 12 years, Sheldon served in construction, landscaping, maintenance, soup plant, local outreach, leadership, and more, filling in wherever needed. His motto was "Simple obedience with radical dependency," a word of wisdom that he got from a friend. "God taught me to just ask," Sheldon said. "Apart from Him, I can do nothing."

Carol served in housekeeping, hospitality, booking, and leadership, in addition to taking care of kids and home. "I became more confident in who I am—and who I am in Jesus,"



Carol said. "I feel more grounded and steady. While I was here, I learned how to be a better wife, mom, and teammate."

After a decade of ministry at *Gleanings*, the Munros began listening and waiting for the Lord's prompting for what was on the horizon for their family. In 2022, the time came for them to go back to Dawson Creek. Sheldon said, "*The Lord told us*, '*Go back, and I will show you what to do.*"

While Sheldon and Carol both say they miss the *YWAM community* (and the California weather), the *Gleanings* family misses the Munros more, even while filled with joy over what God has for them in the future. We thank God for 12 years with Sheldon and Carol and their kids. Thank you, Munros, for serving the Lord at *Gleanings for the Hungry*.



PEACH SEASON IS HERE SUMMER 2022 THEME VERSE

The 2022 summer theme is three words:

THROW | RUN | FIX

from Hebrews 12:1-2, which says,
"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great
cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that
hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let
us run with perseverance the race marked out for us,
fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter
of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the
cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right
hand of the throne of God."

IT IS TIME TO THROW OFF DISTRACTION AND SIN-AND RUN WITH OUR EYES FIXED ON JESUS!

Country Report KWAZULU-NATAL FLOODS SOUTH AFRICA

In April 2022 we received a message from Dave Richter of *The Container Ministry* (*TCM*) in Durban, South Africa:

"Pray for us," it read. "We have had heavy rain for about five days. Last night flooding, mudslides, and damage started in areas all over Durban. Part of the road I live on has been washed away. In the harbor area just south of Durban, several container storage yards are open. The containers are floating away and found on the flooded freeways nearby, which have been transformed into rivers."

The destructive floods killed at least 448 people in the eastern city of Durban and the surrounding KwaZulu-Natal province. Nearly 4,000 homes were destroyed, and more than 40,000 people were displaced. Many people remain missing. Our food goes to 50 Christian ministries in this region.

"The calls for help have come in from far and wide," Dave said. "We had poultry training for our partners earlier this year. Poultry helps fund ministry. One partner had all his birds wiped out by a mudslide. Some houses slid down slopes with the families inside. We were told by a mission partner of a house that was washed away with the occupants inside. The family has still not been found. Another family has lost five loved ones."

The need for Christ's compassion and comfort is overwhelming in moments like this. Dave said, "Food is always needed here. Almost anything can meet the needs of our 50 mission partners."

Products such as *Gleanings* soup mix, and other donated food like, oatmeal, beans, and dried fruit become a vehicle for God's mercy. *Gleanings'* founder, Wally Wenge, once said, "*We care for the whole person*." This is *Gleanings'* enduring, Godgiven calling: To feed the needy of the world both physically and spiritually.

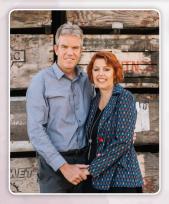
Our volunteers have already mixed, packed, and palletized a load of food for South Africa. The container is ordered. Please join us in prayer for South Africa, Dave and TCM, their ministry partners, and for the speedy shipping process for this load of God's soup miracle, a gift of His love.











Director's Corner

It's getting warm here in California and you might know what that means for us. It's peach drying season! We are believing for a full summer of volunteers and fruit donations after two years of limited production. Our summer volunteer roster and our summer staff internship are almost fully

booked. Two former summer staff will direct the whole program and we are all thrilled to release these young leaders. It is exciting to be the source of more than dried fruit. We also produce young leaders dedicated to walk in humility and faith. If you are signed up to serve with us this summer, please be assured that we are preparing and believing this will be a life changing experience for your team.

Thanks for all your support and your prayers for this season.

Fritz Meier