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Stepping out in Faith

God has taken Mulberry International on quite a ride in 2018. When the year started we didn't know where He would lead us, but in faith we willingly took one step at a time in obedience to His call. Each time we followed Him, He opened more doors of opportunity to come to the aid of at-risk children and families displaced by the war on Ukraine's eastern border.

To demonstrate the love and hope of Christ to the starving hearts of innocent children and provide basic needs to impoverished families is what God has called Mulberry to. What better way to preach the Gospel to the poor than to prove the love of Christ by meeting the needs of people who are desperate for hope!



This year we sent our very first mission teams from the U.S. to Mariupol, a town near the war zone. One team worked with 75+ displaced by the war and at-risk children at a summer camp. Another team did construction work at a local Christian Children's Home. These two teams made a lasting impact on young lives and came away from the experience with a better understanding of how Mulberry is responding to the needs of those made desperate by the ravages of war. Please read an excerpt from one of the team leader's letter:

"Thank you for your ministry. I know your heart, energy, love, prayers and wisdom are devoted to helping those in your country who need the Lord. It was a tremendous blessing to see first hand a glimpse of all that Mulberry is doing under your leadership. The team has been deeply affected... You are doing an amazing work."



Recently Mulberry stepped out in faith once again to support a Christian children's home, expanding our outreach significantly on the ground near the war zone. The impact this home is making on dozens of children and teens is profound and will only increase with time. Not only are

children and older youth responding to the message of Christ, but many of their biological families are being influenced by the grace of God and being restored.

This month we received the disappointing news that a major partner with our ministry would have to discontinue support. This represents an annual \$10,000 loss. With this financial blow we are not only unable to expand our outreach, but we will not be able to continue all of our outreaches at current levels of support. These news come at a time when the solidarity of God's people is especially critical to meeting the needs of so many hurting people along Ukraine's war-torn eastern front.

We have seen God deliver and provide time and time again. We are witnesses to His presence and power demonstrated in the amazing results of our ministry in Ukraine: over 400 adults are now participating for the first time in Bible Study and scores of at-risk and orphaned children are growing in His love and knowledge! We know that God is not done with this war-ravaged region, and He calls us – His Church – to come together and collaborate with Him in His work!

We are asking God to provide for this need and praying that YOU will be His hands and feet by extending your support. If you do not currently support Mulberry, we pray that you will seriously consider partnering with our ministry in any amount – even if it is only a one-time gift. If you are a current partner, would you prayerfully consider raising your level of support? Even an additional \$25 in monthly support would make a significant difference in what we can accomplish in Ukraine with God's blessing.



As we gather together with our families during this season of abundance and blessing we have so much to be thankful for and it is easy to forget that half-way around the world there are people whose only wish is for a loaf of bread and a bowl of soup, or a blanket and a pair of half-worn shoes. We can all do something. Take some time right now to pray and to listen to the Spirit of God speak to your heart. If you experience an impulse to be generous toward someone in need, listen to the Spirit and follow His invitation.

Please pray earnestly for this ministry and lift praise to God for His glorious grace,