

MINISTRY UPDATE



Together, we are helping thousands!

Since March, Mulberry has wired **over \$120,000** in **direct assistance** to displaced families in Ukraine and to our children evacuated from Mariupol to Germany. Your generosity has allowed us to provide financial resources for our volunteers and partners who work tirelessly in Ukraine.

We have purchased **three vans to deliver humanitarian supplies** and food to the most critical and devastated regions of Ukraine. **Our partners are located in the purple star locations on the map above.** Since they are located closer to Ukraine's borders, they have access to humanitarian shipments that arrive through the border. Sometimes, our volunteers have to meet the container at the Polish or Romanian border to load their vans. They then deliver humanitarian aid to central or eastern regions of the country, where food supplies are running out. A typical trek would take a whole day one way. One such trip now costs \$500-600, a two months' salary in Ukraine.

Our partners deliver supplies to a local church that usually is turned into a shelter for hundreds of displaced people. Our team members distribute aid to **250-500 people per week!** When the vans are heading back, they evacuate 12-16 people per van to safety in Western Ukraine.

Life in Western Ukraine is hard right now. There are no jobs, and no housing available for millions of displaced people. They either live in communal setting at churches, or find abandoned houses. Most houses do not have central heating and only wood burning stoves (*pictured above*). We want to help several families that evacuated from Mariupol purchase firewood to survive the cold that is coming in a few months. In order to provide one family with enough firewood to last this winter, we need \$400. If you would like to contribute to this need, send your donation marked "Firewood".