



Trouble on Earth Celebration in Heaven

The Global Newsletter of International Needs
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Greetings from the General Secretary

Dear friends,

I'm excited to share this issue of the Insight Newsletter, which will give you a glimpse of the deep impact your efforts have had on the people of Ukraine, Turkiye, and vulnerable people around the world.

Through prayers, financial contributions, and a lot of hard work, we have witnessed the remarkable work of the Holy Spirit. In the midst of the difficulty brought about by economic uncertainty, war, and natural disasters, we have seen God's glory shining brightly through our partners, supporters, and the people we serve.

In addition to some beautiful stories, this issue also includes a copy of the 2022 Global Ministry Impact Report, which gives you a detailed picture of how International Needs is impacting lives around the world.

I hope you enjoy the newsletter, and praise be to God, our loving and almighty father, who holds us in the palm of his hand.

May God's abundant blessings be upon us all.

In Christ's love,
Edmond Vanderpuye

A group of young children, likely in a classroom, are seated at wooden desks. They are wearing light-colored, possibly school uniforms. The children are looking towards the camera with various expressions. The background shows a wall with some faint, colorful drawings or posters. The overall scene is dimly lit, with a soft, slightly desaturated color palette.

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Ukraine Relief Efforts

Turkiye Relief Efforts



GLOBAL MINISTRY IMPACT REPORT 2022



international needs
transformed lives, changed communities



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INTRODUCTION

International Needs is a worldwide partnership of Christian organizations fulfilling the commission of Jesus Christ. We believe in building relationships that are committed to supporting each other to see lives transformed and whole communities changed. The Global Ministry Impact Report (GMIR) compiles data on our ministry's impact in our chosen priority areas. Lessons learnt in compiling the 2019, 2020 and 2021 reports have been incorporated into the preparation of this report. We are grateful for the incredible work of all partners. The lessons learnt in compiling the 2019, 2020 and 2021 reports were incorporated in collating this report.



Education



Health & Medical Services



Advocacy & Social Justice



Water Sanitation & Hygiene



Agriculture & Livelihood



Church Ministry & Gospel Outreach



Emergency Relief & Response

METHODOLOGY

An interactive forum was organized virtually by the Global Office to introduce partners to selected indicators and the data gathering tool. The forum allowed the partners to provide feedback and offer helpful suggestions that enriched the process. Data was gathered from both Lead and Support Partners on all thematic areas and analysed using Microsoft Excel. The analysis of the impact achieved by partners was done and recorded using cross-tabulation and comparison across the data provided by 20 partners.

FOUR-YEAR SUMMARY

DESCRIPTION	2022	2021	2020	2019
Global Ministry Spend	US \$ 5,744,115	US\$ 4,990,000	US\$ 5,100,000	US\$ 4,400,000
Total Number of People Impacted	1,082,800+	1,039,800	878,000+	368,450+
Global Reach (Countries)	24	20	19	19
Global Reach (Communities)	2,410	889	952	684

*Data for 2022 include emergency response for the Ukraine –Russia War and typhoon in Nepal.

*Data for 2020 include emergency response for the COVID-19 pandemic.



Total global ministry spending
US \$ 5,744,115

Total number of people impacted
1,082,800+ people

Global reach
2,410 communities, 24 countries

Summary by priority area:



Education

17,500+ beneficiaries assisted
74 communities across 15 countries
Global spend of over US\$ 2,975,000

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

40,500+ people reached
125 communities across 9 countries
Global spend of over US\$ 197,500



Health and Medical Services

95,800+ people reached
44 communities across 9 countries
Global spend of over US\$ 88,900

Advocacy and Social Justice

63,700+ people empowered
860 communities in 10 countries
Global spend of over US\$ 283,500



Agriculture and Livelihoods

24,200+ people impacted.
31 communities across 7 countries
Global spend of over US\$ 204,000

Church Ministry and Gospel Outreach

579,000+ people reached with the Gospel
1276 communities in 17 countries
Global spend of over US\$ 1,566,000



Emergency Relief and Response

262,100+ people served in multiple communities across 4 countries
Global spend of over US\$ 427,500



Education



74
Communities served



17,522
Learners were educated



14,129
Learners reached and disciplined in Christ



5,423
Assisted through INCAP



1,502
Assisted through INSAP



763
Assisted through INGAP



12,161
Received hot meals within the schools



7,838
Learners benefitted from Health interventions

20 Collaborating Partners



Bangladesh



Burkina Faso



Colombia



DR. Congo



Dominican Republic



Romania



Uganda



USA



UK



Ghana



Canada



Czech Republic



New Zealand



Kenya



India



Nepal



Philippines



Slovakia



Sri Lanka



Zambia



Water Sanitation & Hygiene



125
Communities served



34
New water wells and bathrooms constructed



26,300
People accessed potable water



7,657
Educated on personal hygiene activities



6,607
Educated on community sanitation improvement activities

13 Collaborating Partners



Burkina Faso



Ghana



India



Kenya



Nepal



Sri Lanka



Uganda



Philippines



Zambia



Canada



New Zealand



UK



USA



Health And Medical Services



44
Communities served



95,837
People received health and medical support



31
Medical outreaches and camps

13 Collaborating Partners



Bangladesh



Burkina Faso



Ghana



Kenya



Nepal



Philippines



Uganda



Romania



Zambia



Canada



New Zealand



UK



USA



Advocacy & Social Justice



860
Communities served



79
Child victims of abuse identified and supported



63,786
People empowered through community-based interventions

13 Collaborating Partners



Bangladesh



Ghana



Kenya



India



Nepal



Philippines



Sri Lanka



Uganda



Zambia



Canada



New Zealand



UK



USA



22/05/2023

Agriculture & Livelihoods



31
Communities served



3,527
Social enterprises and new businesses started



7,300
People benefited from agriculture training initiatives



6,647
Families benefited from livelihood development programmes



6,810
Loans accessed through village savings schemes

12 Collaborating Partners



Ghana



Kenya



Nepal



Philippines



Sri Lanka



Uganda



Zambia



Canada



Netherlands



New Zealand



UK



USA



Church Ministry & Gospel Outreach



1,276
Communities served



579,044
People reached with the gospel



18,698
Souls won



5,050
People baptized



11,107
Bibles distributed



2,579
Pastors and Church Leaders trained



54
Crusades and conventions

22 Collaborating Partners



Bangladesh



Burkina Faso



Colombia



Czech Republic



DR. Congo



Ghana



Kenya



India



Nepal



Philippines



Slovakia



Sri Lanka



Turkey



Romania



Uganda



Vietnam



Zambia



Canada



Netherlands



New Zealand



UK



USA



Emergency Relief & Response



262,105
Hot meals served



10,365
Hygiene packs and blankets distributed



13,575
Daily kindergarten spaces



1,305
Pastoral counselling sessions



24
Convoys of food and essential supplies to Ukraine

8 Collaborating Partners



Nepal



Bulgaria



Romania



Slovakia



Australia



New Zealand



UK



USA



Emergency Relief & Response



In every act of service and every moment of assistance to the people of the Ukraine, our Lead Partners in Bulgaria, Romania, and Slovakia have exemplified Christ's call to show mercy. For more than a year, they have extended hospitality and welcomed countless refugees into their hearts and communities.

The Story of Alexandra

Alexandra is an orphaned girl from Ukraine who has struggled most of her life. As a young girl in an orphanage, Alexandra felt unloved, unwanted, and unimportant. Over the years she was affected emotionally and physically. And then, the horror of war added to her suffering and took away all hope. A woman named Oxana, from the orphanage, took the children with her to find refuge in Romania, trusting God to lead the way. When they arrived, International Needs Romania provided shelter, food, and clothing. Alexandra was deeply moved by the love and attention that was given to her, and by the fact that someone cared enough to provide her with food, medicine and the "Ray of Hope" program, where she learned more about God. The healing process has begun in her heart! Please pray along with us for Alexandra and for the other orphans from Ukraine!



Pavel Sinko
International Needs Slovakia

35 For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, 36 I needed clothes and you clothed me..."

Matthew 25

HOSPITALITY

GENEROSITY

Our partners and supporters have given up their time and resources to ensure the Ukrainian people receive physical assistance as well as emotional and spiritual care. Open hearts and open hands have shown God's abundant grace and provision in the midst of unimaginable hardship.



Anna and Stanimir have two daughters, one with serious mental health concerns. They are Christians and though at first they wanted to come to church, they struggled with their young child, who screamed during the service.

It was a delicate situation and we did not want to make them uncomfortable, so we didn't ask much and just tried to be available to help with what we can. They came to language class and have tried to find work with some success.

They are now well settled. Their sick daughter is well and as she now knows the people in the church, she is happy and no longer screams during the services. It is very hard for them. They appreciate the help, food, supplies and everything else they are given.

Dimitrina Oprenova
First Baptist Church, Bulgaria

35 In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'

Acts 20



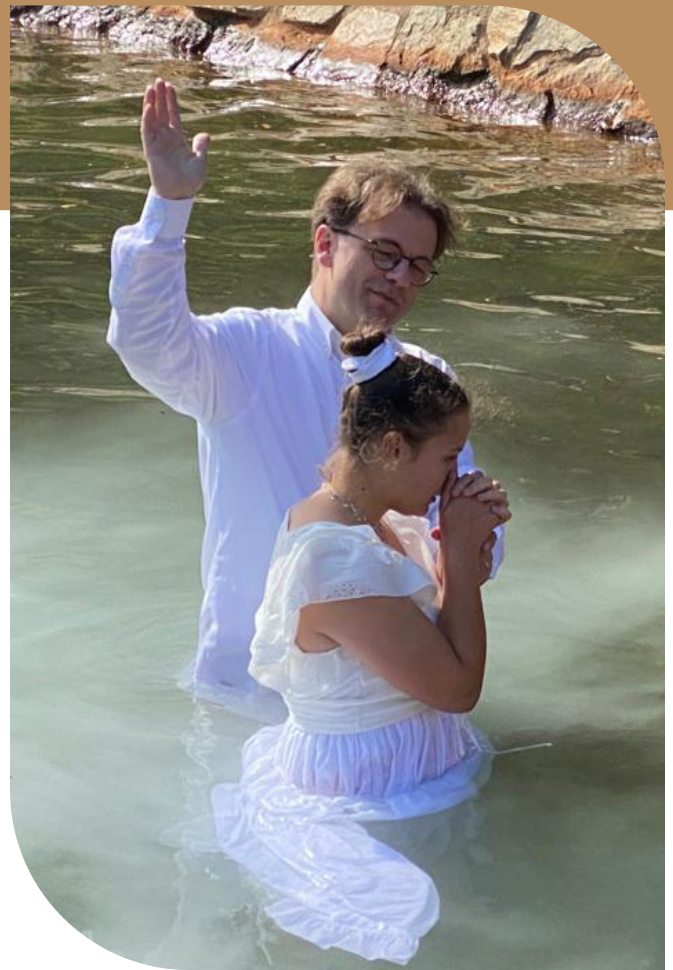
Emergency Relief & Response

LOVE

Love has been at the core of every interaction, every decision, and every effort. And through this love, the Holy Spirit has been present, even leading to several baptisms and wedding ceremonies.

“It is so difficult to offer hope and courage to these precious people who are going through such trauma and deep wounds. Sometimes words are not enough to bring comfort, but the Lord is with us, strengthening us, and through all we do, we want them to see Jesus.”

Daniela Pribac
International Needs Romania



12 My command is this:
Love each other as I have loved you.

Acts 20



COMPASSION



Financial support has poured in from around the world as our donors have allowed their hearts to be moved with deep empathy for suffering and hardship. Through many acts of compassion, the Holy Spirit has poured out his healing power. The Ukrainian people have received comfort, support, and a shoulder to lean on.

5 The Lord is gracious and righteous;
our God is full of compassion.

Psalm 116



"We continue to work every day in the lives of refugees from the youngest to the elderly. We have babies that were born during the war of aggression started by the Russians, but also old people who remember other wars from long ago. It is so sad when you see these young mothers with babies in their arms, who have nothing left but their babies. We organized a meeting for them and their children, having ages starting from 6 months up, and offered them a day of hope, a day to disconnect from everything that is sad."

Sami Gorgan and Daniela Probac
International Needs Romania



Light of the World

The events remind us of Jesus's words from the sermon on the mount, calling us to be the light of the world. Our partners have shown us what Christ meant, allowing God's glory to radiate through their actions as they serve the people of Ukraine. They have actively revealed God's character of love, kindness, and mercy, drawing others closer to Him and inspiring them to glorify His name.

The Story of Lesya, a special Ukrainian girl, who found God's calling for her life in Romania.

Lesya came to Romania along with her mother, younger sister and younger brother. Because of a physical disability that limits her movement, Lesya was never taken seriously. After coming to church in Chernivtsi, Lesya found herself surrounded by Ukrainian children who enjoyed every word she said. Then, one Sunday, she said that she wanted to be a Sunday school teacher and her parents agreed, because the children loved her very much.

Lesya confessed: "I never thought that I, as I am, could ever be listened to or taken as an example... God wanted me to come to Romania to discover my gift, which He put in me, and I thank Him that I can be a blessing through Him!"

She is a cheerful, loving, and devoted person in her passion to discover more and more the beautiful gift that God has placed in her.



16 Let your light shine before others,
that they may see your good deeds
and glorify your Father in heaven.

Matthew 5

HOPE FOR UKRAINE

These are indeed challenging times, set on a backdrop of hate and violence. But behind the soundbites and headlines is a beautiful story of God's kingdom. Together, let us rejoice in the way the Holy Spirit is working – transcending a human war and bringing hope, restoration, and redemption.

33 I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.

John 16





Emergency
Relief & Response



Earthquake in Türkiye

On February 6, 2023, a magnitude 7.8 earthquake struck central Türkiye and Syria. More than 50,000 people were killed, with millions more injured and displaced from their homes. Pastor Antuan, Executive Director of International Needs Türkiye, reported that the local Church had been greatly affected, with the death of some Pastors and destruction of places of worship. 'This is a real tragedy with over 17,000 lives lost. It will take about three to four years to recover....' says Antuan. In the meantime, IN Türkiye has been providing short-term relief to refugees and victims, and focusing on long-term support for families and specifically children who are orphaned. Their hope is to strengthen the church and share the love of Christ.

He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.

Micah 6:8

“Thank you for your international compassion and generosity towards the people of Turkey” Pastor Antuan, Executive Director

Here are the activities that took place across 14 provinces in four visits immediately after the earthquake struck:

940



Food parcels and hot meals

3100



Baby food

900

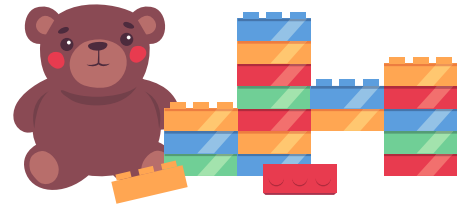


Baby diapers



2310

Pieces of clothing



700

Children's Toys

1190



Ladies' hygiene kits



560

Winter clothing



4200

People served

Plus: First aid kits, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shelter, and more.



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