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Dear Friends,

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I hope your **Thanksgiving Day** holiday was a good one. All our children and grandchildren joined my wife and I for turkey with oyster dressing. **We had a wonderful time!** Now it is time to wish each of you a **Merry Christmas** and **Happy New Year**. **The Lord certainly blessed abundantly this year and I am praying that this will continue into 2023.**

**Born-Again Church collects relief**



**Delivers aid to liberated Ukraine**



**Brother Zaldy- scholarship winner**



**We thank God** that He is still preserving the nation of Ukraine, but I cannot help but worry some over what will happen this winter. The Ukraine military continues to show an unexpectedly high level of bravery, commitment, and flexibility. The civilian community is just as committed, but what can they do without heat in wintertime? Their heating fuel was cut off, so they started looking for small electrical heaters. Now the electrical supply has been mostly disrupted, so they are seeking sleeping bags and blankets. Warming tents are being set up in the streets where people can come to stand around a fire while their cell phones get charged. All of this is because Russia continues to target the electrical supply grid of Ukraine with its drones and missiles. Our **focus** again this month was to help maintain the **15 relief workers in Poltava's Salvation Church**. We have \$1,300/month being given regularly by friends of our ministry. **We thank God** that an additional \$1,800 was given this month for the relief workers, to put us a little over our goal of \$3,000/month. The Born-Again Church in Poltava also continues to distribute relief and needs our help. It makes 9-10 trips a month to several liberated areas to take relief supplies and evacuate whoever needs it. They have enough supplies, and recently obtained a used minibus to deliver them in, but they lack money for fuel. The relief workers in this church could also use some help. **Please continue to pray for the right resolution of the war, mercy on the suffering of Ukrainian people, and provision for all material needs.**

**27-year-old Zaldy Velasquez** is the second candidate in our Joshua Tuck Memorial Scholarship Program. We are so **grateful to Little Wolf Creek Baptist Church** for supporting Brother Zaldy during his first semester in Bible College. **We thank God** that Little Wolf Creek gave \$500 this month for Zaldy's second semester. We sent that money to Philippines along with \$500 for Sister Camille Neves. Now, both are ready to start off 2023 with their Bible College studies paid for. During Covid, and now whenever he has been home from school, Brother Zaldy has slept on the floor of the church. **We praise God** that \$500 was given this month to partition off a room for Brother Zaldy in the fellowship area. **Thank you for praying and giving.** The Philippines had other blessings this month. We really **appreciate Big Sewell Baptist Church** for funding Pastor Aris' Christmas program again this year. \$3 was given for each of 250 children so they could have a meal, a present, and hear the Gospel. Another \$250 was given by the same church to present families in Brother Aris' congregation with bags of rice. **Pray for Philippines.**

**Please continue to pray for Pastor Joseph Nanneti** and the 8 local pastors that we are supporting in India. We **thank God** that \$500 was given this month to help celebrate Christmas and the third anniversary of the church. Our next project in India is to build a baptistry. The persecution of Christians in India has gotten so bad that people in Joseph's area are afraid to get baptized outside of the church. \$750 is needed for this project. So far, \$290 has been pledged on Facebook. I invited people to donate as a way of remembering my 70<sup>th</sup> birthday, which was December 12. **Please pray** for completion of this project and help if you can.

In the name of Jesus, your grateful brother,

*Franklin Tuck Jr.*

*"Blessed is the man whose strength is in Thee... who passing through the valley of Baca maketh it a well." Psalm 84: 5-6*

Projects	Needed	Each	Sponsor	Work
<b>Grounds, office building, and garage</b>				
1. Plant 10 willow trees along creek, erect 7 flag poles/flags of each country we work in, install dusk to dawn light at front of property, build wall around flag pole area for flower beds, fill flower bed with soil, install electrical supply to garage, paint outside of garage, replace garage doors, update office computer, buy cordless telephone system, build new front porch on office building, paint outside of office building, build 2 bathrooms in office building, connect office building to sewer system, install drywall/electrical receptacle/shelving in office storeroom, install skirting around office building, buy new laptop for deputation, increase storage space in office, install laminate floor in office, buy new projector for deputation, buy refrigerator for office, buy microwave for office, Install air conditioner/electric furnace/water heater in office,		<b>Total cost= \$17,475</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
2. Pour concrete sidewalk from driveway to front porch	<b>2</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
3. Replace windows in office	<b>2</b>	<b>\$250</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
4. Replace roof on office	<b>1</b>	<b>\$1500</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
5. Replace roof on garage	<b>1</b>	<b>\$1100</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
6. Change drywall in office	<b>1</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
7. Install vinyl siding on office	<b>1</b>			
8. Replace window in garage	<b>1</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
9. Install floodlights for individual flags	<b>7</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
10. Install vinyl siding on garage	<b>1</b>	<b>\$1160</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
<b>Chapel</b>				
1. Finish electrical supply	<b>1</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
2. Finish vinyl siding	<b>1</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
3. Power wash siding outside and block walls inside after flood	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
4. Install 2x4 studs to plumb upstairs walls	<b>1</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
5. Install wiring and receptacles	<b>1</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
6. Install insulation in upstairs walls	<b>1</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
7. Install light fixtures upstairs	<b>2</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
8. Install drywall on upstairs walls	<b>1</b>	<b>\$350</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
9. Paint upstairs walls	<b>1</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
10. Install insulation in roof	<b>1</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
11. Install ceiling tiles upstairs	<b>1</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
12. Install sub-floor upstairs	<b>1</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
13. Install flooring upstairs	<b>1</b>	<b>\$400</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
14. Install floor tiles upstairs	<b>1</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
15. Paint downstairs walls	<b>1</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
16. Install light fixtures downstairs	<b>2</b>	<b>\$25</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
17. Replace roof	<b>1</b>	<b>\$7,000</b>		
<b>Joshua Tuck Memorial</b>				
1. Plant "Joshua's Tree"	<b>1</b>	<b>\$800</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
2. Build stone wall	<b>1</b>	<b>\$300</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
3. Plant small flower garden	<b>1</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
4. Install memorial plaque	<b>1</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
5. Install bench	<b>1</b>	<b>\$100</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
<b>Picnic &amp; Entertainment Pavilion</b>				
1. Bulldoze/Excavate area	<b>1</b>	<b>\$1000</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
2. Pour concrete in picnic & entertainment area (4 sections)	<b>4</b>	<b>\$500</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
3. Erect picnic shelter (3 sections)	<b>3</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
4. Build picnic tables	<b>30</b>	<b>\$75</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
5. Erect entertainment area	<b>1</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
<b>Church construction- Andhra Pradesh, India</b>				
1. Foundation and pillars, sub floor, walls, beams & roof, electric system, plumbing & water system, windows, doors, sanctuary chairs, pulpit, sound system, bathroom tile and fixtures		<b>\$17,625</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
2. Road	<b>1</b>	<b>\$200</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
3. Labor & finishing touches	<b>1</b>	<b>\$2400</b>	<b>Yes</b>	
4. Church vehicle	<b>1</b>	<b>?</b>		
5. Install baptistry	<b>1</b>	<b>\$750</b>		
<b>Church construction, Pangasinan, Philippines</b>				
1. Foundation, concrete floor, walls, beams & roof, electrical system, plumbing, water system, windows, doors, ceiling, floor tiles, soffit		<b>Total = \$11,000</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>
2. Partition off 2 rooms (Zaldy & storage) in fellowship area	<b>1</b>	<b>\$500</b>		
<b>Parsonage construction, Pangasinan, Philippines</b>				
1. Foundation, concrete floor, walls, beams & roof, windows, doors, ceilings, paint, electrical system, plumbing, water pump, porch, garage, tiles		<b>\$10,350</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Done</b>