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Dear Friends,

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Thank you for praying for India! Construction of an outdoor baptistry on church property has been completed, and the first baptism has already been performed in it. **Praise God!** This young lady is a blessing to the church and an encouragement to others who have been fearful of being baptized. We are also **thankful to Lansing Baptist Church** in WV for giving \$450 to buy rice for the congregations of 8 local pastors who we have been supporting. These people were **very thankful** for the rice and money from our monthly donation. **Please continue to pray** for the needs in India, especially for a church vehicle. Such a vehicle is essential for the growth of the ministry there.

India- first baptism in new baptistry

Ukraine- Salvation Church baptism- 3 of 5 are refugees



The Lord continues to bless our relief work in Ukraine. This month, \$3,000 was again sent through our ministry to the Salvation Church to support 15 workers who minister to refugees staying in Poltava. The refugees are given food, medicine, clothing, and other needed items to help with their physical needs. Best of all, the workers we support each lead weekly Bible study with groups of 10-15 refugees at a time. Altogether, 500-600 refugees attend these groups every week for 3-4 months and then 500-600 new refugees start a new cycle. The photo above is of a recent baptism held at the city swimming pool. 3 of the 5 people baptized were refugees who attended the first Bible study groups after the war started. More than 100 refugees are now attending Salvation Church regularly. **We thank God** that we were able to send another installment of \$3,200 to Born Again Church and Cross of Christ Church to use in their outreach to refugees and Ukrainian military. Our budget for these two churches will be depleted after next month's payment. **Please pray** that we will continue to receive donations for Ukraine so that we can continue this life-changing work. I am afraid that some people are becoming indifferent to this war that has already drag on for so long. It is a miracle that Ukraine has resisted its larger and more powerful aggressor for this length of time. The Ukrainian people are giving a 500% effort and sacrifice in order to win a conflict that will probably prove to be personally very important to all of us before it is over. **Let us stay strong in our support of Ukraine.**

The Lord really answered your prayers for Pastor Alfonso in Philippines. \$1,500 was given for him to buy a tricycle (motorcycle with sidecar) for the church. This vehicle will bring folks to and from worship services at the church and also take youth workers to and from children's feeding stations in 14 villages each Saturday. \$1,200 was also given to pay the 50% down payment on 3 air conditioners for the church sanctuary. Brother Aris is hoping to have them installed before their church anniversary celebration at the end of this month. Brother Aris' family and the church congregation will share responsibility for making payments on the remainder of the cost.

Please pray for me. It has been very exciting to finish installing vinyl siding on our ministry garage. Thank you, Sister "E," for providing the materials. **Lord willing,** I will start remodeling our office building next- inside and outside. The desire to do this, and other improvements to our headquarters, began 25 years ago. The need to focus on ministry in 5 other countries pushed such projects at home to a lower priority. As we seek new directions for the ministry to go in, our focus has changed. We will resume our overseas ministry as Covid protocols and political conditions allow, but new avenues of ministry here at home are returning to the spotlight. At the same time, I must continue to work on more stability in my home life and problems in Michigan regarding the deaths of my mother and brother. I will travel to Michigan on May 1. **Please pray for me.**

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
Grounds, office building, and garage				
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, replace window in garage, replace roof on garage, 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.		Total cost= \$19,000	Yes	Done
2. Pour concrete sidewalk from driveway to front porch	2	\$300	Yes	
3. Replace windows in office	2	\$250	Yes	
4. Replace roof on office	1	\$1500	Yes	
5. Change drywall in office	1	\$300	Yes	
6. Install vinyl siding on office	1			
7. Install floodlights for individual flags	7	\$50	Yes	
8. Install vinyl siding on garage	1	\$1160	Yes	Done
Chapel				
1. Finish electrical supply	1	\$300	Yes	Done
2. Finish vinyl siding	1	\$750	Yes	Done
3. Power wash siding outside and block walls inside after flood	1	1	Yes	Done
4. Install 2x4 studs to plumb upstairs walls	1	\$200	Yes	
5. Install wiring and receptacles	1	\$200	Yes	
6. Install insulation in upstairs walls	1	\$200	Yes	
7. Install light fixtures upstairs	2	\$25	Yes	
8. Install drywall on upstairs walls	1	\$350	Yes	
9. Paint upstairs walls	1	\$75	Yes	
10. Install insulation in roof	1	\$200	Yes	
11. Install ceiling tiles upstairs	1	\$300	Yes	
12. Install sub-floor upstairs	1	\$300	Yes	
13. Install flooring upstairs	1	\$400	Yes	
14. Install floor tiles upstairs	1	\$300	Yes	
15. Paint downstairs walls	1	\$75	Yes	
16. Install light fixtures downstairs	2	\$25	Yes	
17. Replace roof	1	\$7,000		
Joshua Tuck Memorial				
1. Plant "Joshua's Tree"	1	\$800	Yes	Done
2. Build stone wall	1	\$300	Yes	
3. Plant small flower garden	1	\$100	Yes	
4. Install memorial plaque	1	\$100	Yes	
5. Install bench	1	\$100	Yes	
Picnic & Entertainment Pavilion				
1. Bulldoze/Excavate area	1	\$1000	Yes	Done
2. Pour concrete in picnic & entertainment area (4 sections)	4	\$500	Yes	
3. Erect picnic shelter (3 sections)	3	\$750	Yes	
4. Build picnic tables	30	\$75	Yes	
5. Erect entertainment area	1	\$750	Yes	
Church construction- Andhra Pradesh, India				
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		\$17,625	Yes	Done
2. Road	1	\$200	Yes	
3. Labor & finishing touches	1	\$2400	Yes	Done
4. Church vehicle	1	?		
5. Install baptistry	1	\$750	Yes	Done
Church construction, Pangasinan, Philippines				
1. Foundation, concrete floor, walls, beams & roof, electrical system, plumbing, water system, windows, doors, ceiling, floor tiles, soffit		Total = \$11,000	Yes	Done
2. Partition off 2 rooms (Zaldy & storage) in fellowship area	1	\$500	Yes	
Parsonage construction, Pangasinan, Philippines				
1. Foundation, concrete floor, walls, beams & roof, windows, doors, ceilings, paint, electrical system, plumbing, water pump, porch, garage, tiles		\$10,350	Yes	Done