# UKRAINE UPDATE #8: THE SHIPMENTS CONTINUE— A CONTAINER FROM NORWAY!







And the urgency continues...I am working on the October UKRAINE MISSION newsletter and hope to have it finished and mailed out very soon. The newsletter's progress continues to be hindered because of critical communication and urgent actions with those in Ukraine.

#### I WANT TO GIVE YOU A BRIEF UPDATE ON THE CONTINUING CRISIS— NEEDS BEING MET BUT URGENCIES BEING PLED!

On August 27 we shipped our first two relief containers. These arrived in port while Mike and I were in Ukraine. Today I received word from Tanya that the containers were delivered and distribution has begun. She wrote: "Nicholi called and they received rice and <u>cleared it on the wheels</u>. Also, Zaporozhye received their personal hygiene/medical stuff."

#### A summary of what we have been able to send (as of October 30, 2014):

- ➤ 12 containers sent with relief supplies to Ivano-Frankivsk, Zaporozhye, Zhitomir, Krivy Rog, Pavlograd, and Kherson
- > Total cost paid in shipping (excluding miscellaneous document fees yet to be charged) \$77,779.20
- > Total donations received to pay shipping costs \$68,938.41 (but some commitments for funding containers sent are still to be received as I am told "the check is in the mail"—so I think we are "even").
- > Total pounds sent 349,719 pounds
- ➤ Total value shipped \$2,172,975.00!! YOU HAVE SENT OVER TWO MILLION DOLLARS!
- > 28:1—For each \$1.00 received we have provide \$28.00 in relief commodities!

#### A CONTAINER SENT FROM NORWAY!

While I was in Ukraine last month I had a number of meetings and from one of these came details of a medical container that Norway was willing to donate if transportation costs were paid. I asked about the cost of transportation and was told it would be \$4,070.00 (there were arrangements that helped us bring the cost to this amount). THANK YOU to those who have responded!

I received the inventory on the medical container yesterday (31 October 2014). It is to arrive and be unloaded at a hospital in Pavlograd, Ukraine within a few days.

I made the decision to pay for this container while in Ukraine and sent back word to have the funds wired from our bank. All facets of this move have gone very well and the container is on its way. Here is what this container from Norway provides for our \$4,070.00:

- 458 items
- > 31,063 pounds shipped
- > \$277,083.00 value of the container

This container is filled with: paper and pencils, pillows, kitchen utensils, bed linens, blankets, 73 hospital beds; 73 mattresses, 200 boxes of disposable medical supplies, medical carts.

#### PLEAS AND OFFERS OF PARTNERSHIP CONTINUE!

From: SK

Sent: Tuesday, October 28, 2014 3:30 AM
To: John L Kachelman, Jr (john@kachelman.com)

Subject: Kindness Mover

Dear John,

I would like to introduce to you Oleg xxxxxxx, MD. He used to be CIP's Project Director in Mariupol and then IDR's first Country Director in Ukraine. He just came back to his home in Mariupol from his consultancy mission with UNICEF in Central Asia. Oleg is a real Ukrainian patriot and as such he immediately joined Добровоз (Kindness Mover) volunteer group with medical community.

His group is looking for various assets and you have resources and network they need at this time. You may trust Oleg in assisting Ukraine and rely on his information. Have a great partnership with him and his group!

Best regards, Sxxxx

Sxxxx it is so good to hear from you. I apologize for not seeing you on my recent trip but I had every minute crammed full of work. Hopefully on the next trip we can see each other. I hope things are going well with you and your family. Thank you for your continued updates.

Dr Oleg xxxxxxx! I am glad to meet you. We are looking for partners and contacts to assist us ship in HA. During the current crisis we have shipped in 14 containers (40HC) with relief supplies (medical, winter clothing, food). I have 2 more 40HC in process and hope by the end of November's first week we have those loaded and shipped. We have more commodities but our greatest problem is finding funding to ship these containers. I have several who work in Mariupol and who would love to send relief commodities into that city IF we can find funding and will be assured that the commodities will not be seized by Russia or the pro-Russian anarchists. I hope you will be able to assist us in these needs. On my recent visit I met with DONBASS BATTALION.

I am putting Tanya into this email stream. She is currently living in Kyiv and will be there at least for one more month (November). Dr. Oleg, please feel free to contact Tanya and she can inform you of our actions in Ukraine.

Best wishes,

John

28 окт. 2014, в 21:19, Oleg xxxxxxx < oxxxxxxx@gmail.com > наатдписал(а):

Dear John,

Thank you for your message and your wish to help people of Ukraine in this very hard time.

I have been in contact with some groups of volunteers assisting our soldiers/civilians on the frontline and with the soldiers themselves (Battalion Dnipro-1 and Regiment Azov). While I have learnt the priority needs (particularly for medical supply) from the soldiers, the volunteers have possibility of delivering the commodities to the destination, and perhaps, of finding necessary funds to cover logistic expenses. As you have seen there is great need for those women and children displaced by Russia and civilians wounded.

I would be glad to discuss everything with Tatyana.

Tatyana, my telephone is (xxx) xxx xxxx. You can call me at any time.



Since you are preparing new loads for dispatch, could you, please, share the content of these containers, and advise tentative cost of freight. Then, I would discuss with my partners, what we can do, and propose a way of distribution of the loads.

Thanks again. Best wishes, Oleg xxxxxxx

From: Tatyana

Sent: Saturday, November 1, 2014 8:07 AM

To: John L Kachelman, Jr.

Hi John! I talked with Dr. XXXXX today (he called me) and he said that there are volunteers that could collect money to ship but their funds are almost exhausted compared to May so now they look very closely into what to ship in and whether a better option would be to use money on something else. That is why they need a list of things available and approximate amount of them so that they can discuss and decide whether it is worth paying

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\$7,000.00 for. He himself is in Mariupol now so we talked about Mariupol and Donetsk. I wanted to hear something from a pro-Ukrainian person living close to Donetsk. He is afraid he might have to leave if our Generals and Chief Commander do not listen to those who analyze the situation and who can see what the next move of Russian army could be. I was so sad to hear that. I wound up asking questions and then felt bad because I used lots of his phone money (we have different carriers).

Nicholi called and they received rice and cleared in on the wheels. Also, Zaporozhye received their bathing/medical stuff. Have been working on Krivy Rog letters and there is still quite a bit left. Hope the rest will go smoothly.

Have a great day and stay warm! T

*Please note:* Dr. Oleg and his associates are doing all they can to assist with the treatments of those injured by Russia's war. BUT they are facing limitations. They are willing to pay part of the shipping costs but cannot pay all expenses. Will you HELP by sending money to join with their donations to pay for a container?

There is an urgent need to continue shipping containers of food, winter clothing, hygiene supplies, and other commodities.

## Will you help?

How easy it is to "pass by on the other side" when an opportunity comes for alleviating the suffering that has fallen upon another— especially if it is far away.

He who is generous will be blessed, for he gives some of his food to the poor... He who oppresses the poor to make more for himself or who gives to the rich, will only come to poverty (Proverbs 22:9, 16).

#### PLEASE HELP US CONTINUE SENDING...

We have six approvals by the government of Ukraine to ship in more commodities. BUT we do not have funds to pay to ship any more containers. So, the urgent request is for donations to help us pay for shipping containers of relief commodities into Ukraine where our brothers and sisters can distribute the commodities. Extra funds will also allow us to pay for more containers to be shipped from Western Europe into Ukraine where they arrive and are distributed in less than two weeks!

### WE NEED HELP TO HELP THOSE IN UKRAINE. PLEASE SEND A DONATION TO:

College Church of Christ/UKRAINE MISSIONS 2934 East Moore Street Searcy, Arkansas 72143

Thank you to all who have responded. Please think of congregations and individuals who are like-minded and willing to help us ship more containers to assist those struggling against devilish evils!

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