

CHRISTIANS RESPOND TO COVID-19!

THREE 53-FOOT TRAILERS FILLED WITH SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT TO SET UP A 70-BED FEMA FIELD HOSPITAL!

The year 2020 will be etched in historical accounts as the year of the Chinese Virus. Amazing events have unfolded. Astonishingly never-before-imagined actions have shut down the world's economy, locked down America's freedom of movement, and shuttered congregational events. The threat was real but the hyped scope of the disaster has yet to be decided. However amazing the events of the "shelter-in-place" have been, I am more amazed at the opportunities presented for the Lord's Church to become a visible factor. This brief update provides the media links and websites for follow-up reading. I assure you that you WILL be encouraged by the good that has happened during this situation.

"*You are a 'SUPER TEAM'!*" This was a comment made to me and Charita while we were on a conference call with national FEMA. We had been trying, unsuccessfully, to break through and offer available supplies for COVID-19 operations. Charita was constantly calling and had some success in contacting some from previous operations, but they could not do anything because of the impossible operating structure with which they work. I finally sent an email to President Trump and was given a link to complete a form. I completed it and was surprised to receive a response. A conference call discussed our offer. During this call we were asked to "Tell us a little about who you are." As Charita and I described our operations there was astonishment that we were doing what we described.

I replied to the comment that actually the offer of a 70-bed field hospital was the combination of several groups that are independent but which work in a wonderful harmony to achieve our objective. We have *C.U.R.E. from the WestArk Church of Christ* that picks up donations from hospitals, schools and businesses and who brings them to our operations in Judsonia, AR, Columbus, MS and Montgomery, AL. We have *World of Connections* that supplies Charita's knowledge and energy to arrange logistics, and make connections for offers and recipients. *World of Connections* is CRITICAL to the scope and delivery of our shipments. We have the two Jerrys in Holly Springs, MS! Jerry Morgan has been a critical factor in the success of our efforts for years and now he has been joined by his son-in-law who retired. They have established a well-working warehouse in Holly Springs and the *Holly Springs Church of Christ* is a key component to those operations. We have the *Dalraida Church of Christ in Montgomery, AL* that was excited about me relocating in that city and beginning humanitarian aid operations with the congregation's involvement. The Dalraida congregation was responsible for sorting, inventorying, and packing the pallets of medical supplies that we have shipped. And, I appreciate all who support UKRAINE MISSIONS because your support is critical to the overall operations!

When I described the wonderful works that each of these groups do but the energies and abilities of the combined group, FEMA replied. "*YOUR ARE A SUPER TEAM.*" The COVID-19 pandemic has given the Lord's Church an opportunity to seize the moment to reveal the Lord's compassion. Many reading this report are a part of this SUPER TEAM. Thank you for your involvement, support and encouragement!

John L. Kachelman, Jr.



April 27, Holly Springs, MS



A 53-foot trailer, a full load of medical beds, and other equipment donated to FEMA for further distribution to COVID19 touched areas. This project would have been impossible without the cooperation of so many, and we would like to extend our gratitude to ALL who put their time and money to assist. Thanks to the **Holly Springs Church of Christ** crew for loading heavy medical beds and mattresses. This is enough equipment/supplies to set up a 30-bed makeshift field hospital. Special thanks to Ben Hooper at *Total Quality Logistics for Moves that Matter* program that **delivered this cargo to its destination for free.**

From: <https://worldofconnections.org/home/f/project-93> Visit this site for MORE reports on our efforts!



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(Left) Jerry Moore and his sister, Emily Brewer, roll hospital beds to a trailer for shipping. (Right) Ricky Clayton (left) and Darrell Brewer load mattresses onto a trailer for shipping.

HELPING THOSE IN NEED

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A request from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for makeshift hospital beds for COVID-19 patients was honored Monday, April 27.

Jerry Moore and Jerry Morgan, with World/Ukraine Missions, and friends and family loaded 32 beds and mattresses and a batch of medical supplies that are destined for a FEMA warehouse in North Carolina.

Moore said FEMA would likely take the hospital beds first to Jackson, with the final destination in the United States uncertain.

The hospital beds and medical supplies were donated by a number of groups like Tyson Drugs, Kirby Pines Nursing Home in Memphis, Tenn., and by hospitals and the like.

"Usually, before Coronavirus, we send these overseas to set up hospitals," said Moore, an elder at the Holly Springs Church of Christ. "The beds that are out of code, the old crank kind, were destined to go to Nigeria and Ukraine. We only do medical equipment when requested."

There are four warehouses, one in Holly Springs adjacent to Carlisle's Cash Saver, one in Harville, MO., one in Judsonia, AR., and another in Montgomery, AL.

Moore said World of Connections out of New Jersey, an organization led by Charita Shteynberg, organized and secured payment for these hospital shipments (one from Montgomery and one from Holly Springs). "She was instrumental in all of this," he said. John Kachelman is the missionary overseeing the Montgomery warehouse and his shipment went the following day.

Churches of Christ in the southeastern United States area have adopted 25 orphanages in Ukraine. Supplies, clothing, and bath products are supplied to the orphanages in Ukraine.

"We are doing shipments here in the USA and 28 nations overseas, working both fronts," Moore said.

Jerry Morgan, Moore's father-in-law, started the mission in Arkansas in 1994 for orphanages in Russia. Since then, the work with orphanages has spread to the Ukraine and also Central America.

In Ukraine, 3,500 children are fed and clothed and receive toiletry supplies, Moore said.

To donate to this effort in a material manner or through monthly contributions to support a child, check with any member of the **Holly Springs Church of Christ**. From: <https://www.southreporter.com/news/helping-those-need>

Montgomery Church Donating Supplies to Build COVID-19 Field Hospitals



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(A follow-up report from the church shipping PPE supplies to a nursing team assigned to COVID-19 patients in Harlem Hospital, New York City. See: <https://www.kachelman.com/ukraine/blog/2020/04/28/dalraida-sends-ppes-to-new-york-waka/>).

More medical supplies are being shipped out from Montgomery's Dalraida Church of Christ to COVID-19 hot spots.

Last week, the church sent loads of personal protective equipment to Harlem Hospital in New York. Now, they are shipping supplies to make field hospitals in other hard-hit areas.

Hospital beds, bed linens, isolation gowns, cleaning supplies and more were loaded into up into two 53-foot semi-trailers Tuesday. FEMA will now determine where they'll be gratefully unpacked.

Dalraida Church of Christ routinely sends medical supplies that have been donated from U.S. hospitals to aid other countries (28 foreign nations in total). Some of the supplies had been collecting in storage for months.

The materials that were once deemed surplus, are now in high demand. "We have nasal cannulas we have the tubing, we have respiratory treatments that are useful" John Kachelman, a deacon at the church, listed. "We will have some masks and some face shields but these are very few because we've already sent out three or four shipments of these things" he explained.



The supplies have been collected from across the country, and other partnering churches are contributing too. "We're sending things from here and Holly Springs Mississippi that will furnish a 70-bed field hospital", Kachelman said.

While the church has already helped get supplies to hospitals in New York and Tennessee, it's helping back home too. This Monday the church donated thousands of pounds of bleach to nursing and veterans' homes in Alabama.

Click link to view the television report:

<https://www.alabamaneews.net/2020/04/28/montgomery-church-donating-supplies-to-build-covid-19-field-hospitals/>

<https://www.kachelman.com/ukraine/blog/2020/04/28/supplies-for-covid-19-field-hospitals-waka/>

For MORE encouraging reports on the positive impact being made in the Name of the Lord please go to these sites:

<https://worldofconnections.org/home>

<https://www.kachelman.com/ukraine/blog/>

THANK YOU to all involved in these efforts. You may think you do so little, BUT that little is significant to the whole! "For as his share is who goes down to the battle, so shall his share be who stays by the baggage; they shall share alike." (1 Samuel 30:24)