WE MAY BE 6FT APART BUT WE ARE CLOSER THAN EVER

2021 ANNUAL NEWSLETTER
LETTER FROM THE CEO

As we begin 2021 still sheltering at home due to the global pandemic, we have renewed hope for the year ahead. I want to sincerely thank all of you for making 2020 a remarkably successful year during very trying times. We could not have achieved our many accomplishments without your support.

When the COVID-19 outbreak struck the world early in 2020, Life staff and volunteers mobilized and quickly worked to provide emergency food and hygiene kits to families who lost their livelihoods due to the lockdown as businesses were forced to close. Our staff worked tirelessly and faced many challenges to distribute aid to families struggling to survive in several states and worldwide. Hundreds of thousands of food baskets were given to families in need, hundreds of hospital workers were given hot meals, the elderly were given meals door to door through Meals on Wheels and 6,000 recovered COVID-19 patients received Life gift bags when they left hospitals in Michigan.

We were able to distribute Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) including hospital grade masks, gloves, gowns, oxygen masks and tubing and ventilation devices to many hospitals and clinics in several countries. We shipped 22-40 foot containers of medical aid that helped the medical communities in eight countries cope with the pandemic as well as the Ebola crisis in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Through the most difficult year in our recent history we continued to serve humanity by providing support for over 6,250 orphans in eleven countries giving them an opportunity for a better life. We also distributed thousands of Ramadan food baskets and fed hot iftar meals to tens of thousands of individuals. We were able to supply over $9 million in in-kind shipments of school and dorm room furniture, food and medical aid. We dug 124 water wells in 12 countries and constructed a community center with an artesian well and village latrines in Ghana.

We thank you so much for making a difference in the lives of many people struggling to survive during the pandemic this past year and we look forward to your continued support of Life’s programs in 2021.

Sincerely yours,

Hany Saqr, M.D, Ph.D.,
President & Chief Executive Director
LIFE for Relief and Development
COVID-19 RELIEF

COVID-19 RELIEF KITS

Provided food aid, hygiene kits, personal protection equipment, medical supplies and equipment and in-kind donations to hospitals, clinics, senior homes, unemployed families, food banks, and soup kitchens helping thousands of people around the world.
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SENEGAL  

BANGLADESH  

YEMEN  

WEST BANK  

GAZA  

HAITI

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WASHINGTON

MARYLAND

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LEBANON EMERGENCY
The day after the blast in Beirut emergency food aid, water, shovels, brooms and carts were distributed to displaced families and five 40ft containers of medical supplies and 81 dialysis machines were sent to Beirut.
ETHIOPIAN REFUGEES
Immediately after the Ethiopian refugees entered Sudan, Life through its partner was able to distribute blankets and soap bars to over 1,000 refugee families in the Um-Rakoba refugee camp on the Sudan-Ethiopian border in Al-Qadarif state, Sudan.
ONE MILLION LOAVES

Thousands of families in northern Syria cannot afford to buy bread for their children to eat. In 2020, Life distributed one million loaves of bread to families in need in northern Syria.
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SYRIAN EMERGENCY RELIEF
Thousands of families struggling to survive the harsh winter needed emergency relief to survive the cold in Syria. Over 2,000 displaced families in Idlib were given food aid, winter blankets and winter jackets.
FLOOD RELIEF: SUDAN
In September, continuous rainfall caused devastating flooding in 17 out of 18 states in Sudan. Emergency food aid was given to families displaced by the floods in Tokar, Sudan.
FLOOD RELIEF: BANGLADESH

Over one million people were affected by the flooding in Bangladesh. Monthly food baskets were distributed to 500 families in Jamalpur and Gaibandha where families were displaced by three consecutive floods.
FLOOD RELIEF: YEMEN
Widespread flash flooding caused the displacement of thousands of families in Yemen. Emergency food aid was distributed to 200 families affected by the floods in Raimah, Yemen.
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FLOOD RELIEF: AFGHANISTAN
In August, a series of flash floods caused many families to lose their homes in Afghanistan. Emergency food aid, water coolers and kitchen essentials was distributed to 120 families displaced by the flooding in Khiwa Kuz Kunar District Afghanistan.
FLOOD RELIEF: SENEGAL
Unusually heavy rains caused massive flooding in Senegal. Food aid was distributed to 300 families affected by severe flooding in Keur Massar Senegal.
PUERTO RICO EARTHQUAKE
After the earthquake in Puerto Rico, tents, camp stoves, air mattresses, food aid, water and hygiene products were distributed to displaced families in seven areas and outdoor showers were constructed near the tent camps for residents to bathe.
HURRICANE LAURA: LOUISIANA
Emergency food aid, cleaning supplies, masks and gloves were distributed to families in Westlake, Lake Charles, Elton, Sulphur, Bell City and to evacuees in New Orleans after the hurricane struck Louisiana.
HURRICANE LAURA: HAITI
Hurricane Laura caused widespread destruction throughout Haiti. Hygiene kits, masks, bedsheets and shoes were distributed to affected families in Mont Noir, an area that was heavily flooded by the hurricane.
ORPHAN SPONSORSHIP
Over 6,250 Orphans struggling to live a normal life in Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Ghana, Haiti, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Senegal, Sierra Leone and Syria were provided food, clothing, education and basic medical care.

ORPHAN PROJECTS

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ORPHAN EID CARNIVAL - SYRIA
Life sponsored an Eid shopping day for Orphans in northern Syria so they could choose their new Eid Clothing. The orphans were so happy to receive their new clothes for the celebration of Eid Al-Fitr.
ORPHAN EID PARTY - S. LEONE
An Eid Al-Fitr party for orphans in Sierra Leone was held after Eid, the orphans played games, ate lunch and received Eid gifts. The party was a big success and put a smile on the faces of every orphan.
ORPHAN EID PARTY - YEMEN
An Eid party for orphans in Taiz Yemen was held after Eid, the orphans played games, had lunch and received gifts of toys and backpacks filled with notebooks, pens, pencils, crayons and erasers for the orphans.
Community center with an artesian well was constructed in Jasikan Ghana near the local hospital. Over 1,500 people are benefitting from the center and well.
VILLAGE LATRINE - GHANA
A latrine compound for men and women was constructed in Dodowa Ghana for 2,000 villagers that do not have toilet facilities in their homes.
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE
Household furniture was donated to Habitat for Humanity in Oakland, CA for families displaced by the California wildfires. To the NW Furniture Bank in Tacoma, WA for families that lost their jobs to COVID-19 and to New Horizon’s Ministry in Canon City, CO for women who are restarting their lives after incarceration.
CLEAN WATER

WATER WELLS IN-PROGRESS
124 wells with hand pumps were dug or are in the process of being dug in 12 countries.
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GHANA

CLEAN WATER

SIERRA LEONE

SUDAN
WATER TANKS: GAZA
Water tanks with a capacity of 1,000 liters (264.17 gallons) installed in the homes of 50 needy families and water is delivered to the homes for one year.
ARTESIAN WELLS: GHANA
An artesian water well was dug in Ho, Volta region and two borehole wells were dug in Dodwa and Kue Oti Regions in Ghana.
HEALTH

HEARING AIDS: SOUTH AFRICA
Life partnered with Entheos to provide Audiology services and hearing aids to 268 patients in Tempsia, South Africa in February of 2020.

HEARING AIDS: GUATEMALA
Life in partnership with Entheos organized a hearing aid mission trip to Petén, Guatemala in February to provide Audiology services and hearing aids to the hearing impaired.
MEDICAL AID: MOSUL IRAQ
Oxygen concentrators, Bi-pap machines, oxygen regulators and personal protective equipment was donated to the Al-Salam Hospital in Mosul Iraq to help provide Covid relief.

MEDICAL AID: DRC
A 40-foot container of Medical supplies and equipment was shipped to the Democratic Republic of the Congo and distributed to nine health facilities in Lubero and Mabalko by Save the Children in the DRC for Ebola patients.
DIALYSIS MACHINES
Eighty-one dialysis machines donated by the North Arab American Medical Association were shipped and distributed to hospitals in Beirut.

MEDICAL AID
After the blast in Beirut, five 40-foot containers of medical supplies and equipment were shipped to Beirut hospitals. The shipments are just arriving for distribution in Beirut.
MEDICAL SUPPLIES
Medical supplies and equipment was shipped and distributed to the Sindh Institute of Urology and Transplantation Hospital in Karachi, Pakistan.

MEDICAL AID SHIPMENT
Three 40-foot containers of medical supplies and equipment was sent and distributed to many hospitals throughout Senegal.
MEDICAL AID TO GHANA
Three 40-foot containers of medical supplies and equipment was sent to hospitals in Ghana.

MEDICAL AID TO SIERRA LEONE
Three 40-foot containers of medical supplies and equipment was sent to hospitals in Sierra Leone.
MEDICAL AID TO IVORY COAST
One 40-foot container of medical supplies and equipment was sent to four hospitals in Abidjan and Adjame Ivory Coast.

MEDICAL AID TO SOMALIA
Two 40-foot containers of medical supplies and equipment was sent to hospitals in Mogadishu and Hargeisa Somalia.
MEDICAL EQUIPMENT
Medical equipment donated to Teen Challenge in Muskogee, Oklahoma for their community service program.

MEDICAL FURNITURE
Hospital lobby furniture donated by the Denver Children’s Hospital was sent to Habitat for Humanity in Kansas City, Missouri for families in need.
MEDICAL AID
Shipping containers of dialysis machines medical supplies and equipment shipped to:

- Ghana three containers
- Sierra Leone three containers
- Ivory Coast one container
- Somalia two containers
- Senegal three containers
- DRC one container
- Pakistan one container
- Lebanon seven containers
- One to Habitat for Humanity, Kansas
Backpacks filled with pens, pencils, erasers, glue, sharpeners, rulers, copybooks, color pencils, pencil cases, watercolors and color markers were distributed to thousands of students in nine countries.
EDUCATION

SYRIA

YEMEN
DORM ROOM FURNITURE

180 pieces of dorm furniture including beds, desks, dressers and chairs were donated to a school for the blind and a school for the deaf in the eastern regions and a high school in the Oti region of Ghana.
Life and its partners distributed food baskets to nearly 102,000 needy beneficiaries and provided Iftar meals to over 14,655 needy individuals in 21 countries.
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SIERRA LEONE

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FRESH MEAT

UDHIYAH/QURBANI

Life and its partners distributed Udhiyah on behalf of its donors during the four days of Eid Al-Adha to nearly 170,000 needy beneficiaries in 25 countries.
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IVORY COAST

PAKISTAN

JORDAN

KENYA

GAZA

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SENEGAL

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SOMALILAND

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WINTER RELIEF

WINTER WARMTH CAMPAIGN

Winter blankets, coats, jackets, mittens and hats were distributed to needy families in seven countries.

AFGHANISTAN

BANGLADESH

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JORDAN

IRAQ

LEBANON

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CLOTHES TO FOSTER CHILDREN
Life partnered with Michigan Foster Care Closet in December and distributed winter coats, hats and gloves to over 200 Foster children.
TURKEY DISTRIBUTION
Life partnered with Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries and distributed 500 turkeys and 1,000 food boxes to families in need in Detroit, Inkster, Dearborn and Highland Park, Michigan.

HOLIDAY PARTY
Life hosted a Holiday party for 150 residents at a senior center in Dearborn, Michigan. Lunch and gifts were given to the residents.
IN-KIND: $9 MILL

FOOD AID:
Seven 40 foot containers filled with food aid from Feed my Starving Children:
- Six Containers to Somalia
- One Container to Sudan

SOCIAL:
Four 53 foot truckloads of household furniture shipped to:
- Habitat for Humanity
- NW Furniture Bank
- Teen Challenge
- New Horizons Ministry
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• ETHIOPIA
• GHANA
• GUINEA
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• INDONESIA
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• SYRIA
• TURKEY
• UAE
• UGANDA
• USA
• YEMEN

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TO THOSE WE HAVE LOST...

LIFE WOULD LIKE TO DEDICATE THIS NEWSLETTER TO ALL OF THE VICTIMS OF COVID-19 AND THEIR FAMILIES, AS WELL AS THE HEALTH WORKERS ALL AROUND THE WORLD THAT ANSWERED THE CALL OF DUTY TO HELP THEIR FELLOW HUMAN BEINGS.

LIFE IS ACCEPTING DONATIONS THAT ARE GOING TOWARDS COVID-19 RELIEF. TO DONATE PLEASE VISIT WWW.LIFEUSA.ORG OR CALL TOLL FREE AT 1-800-827-3543

THEY MAY FORGET YOUR NAME, BUT THEY WILL NEVER FORGET HOW YOU MADE THEM FEEL.

-MAYA ANGELOU