



Although we have experienced many challenges along the way, we have also seen beautiful moments of triumph in the midst of adversity.

Matthew 17:20 reminds us that it just takes a mustard seed of faith to move a mountain.

Looking back on this past year, there have been many mountains that we have faced. Yet through faith, as small as it may have been at times, we have seen those obstacles shift and God move in incredible ways.

No matter what we have faced, you have been there with us along the way. You have

been faithful, both financially and in prayer. Without either of these, we wouldn't be able

to do what we do. It's because of your obedience to the call of God and your desire to see people thrive that lives have been changed through the work of Orphan's Promise right now and in the future.

In our projects and programs across the world, God is working in the soil to plant new seeds of opportunity that will bear fruit for years to come.

Thank you for watering those seeds through your ongoing support.



## A Message from Terry

There aren't many certainties in life, and often the only thing that is constant is change itself. As a team, we have navigated many changes this year—from core staff moving onto new pastures to shifts within our family dynamics. Yet in all these places of transition, Jesus Christ, who is our Anchor, keeps us steady and secure.

In these ever-changing times, our organization has seen an increase in the call for help because of war, natural disaster, and exploitation. It can be so easy to become overwhelmed by the landscape of our world. Our hearts are so moved by what we see that we begin to feel like what we do isn't even scratching the surface. We ask the question, "What can I do?"

But the answer is simple: Just do what you can with what you have.

Friends, if I can encourage you with one thing today, let it be this: Determine in your heart to use what you have in your hand.

Submit it to the Lord, give thanks, and watch as He turns your seed into a mighty forest for His glory.



### **Our Mission**

Our heart has always been for the lost and the hurting. In a world where the needs of children all around us are increasing, we are committed to walking out the vision of Orphan's Promise by taking those who are at risk to a place of thriving.

This mission drives us forward and fuels our passion as we demonstrate the love of Jesus and call out the potential within each and every child.

### **How We Work**

While it is true to say that there is power in the "one," we also find strength in the "many." Together with our incredible partners, donors, and teams around the world, we are transforming thousands of lives every single day. On our own, we may help a few, but as a community of people, united in heart and purpose, our impact is multiplied. Orphan's Promise began with the obedience of one, but it now stands as a multiplication story upon the strength of many.



# Our 6 Key Areas of Ministry

#### **Education:**



Access to education should not be dependent upon where you are born or your financial status. We believe that education is a key component in equipping people to break the cycle of poverty and build a successful future.

#### **Nutrition:**



Without the right nutritional support, children's abilities to succeed is severely limited. Physical growth, concentration, and development are all hindered. We want to ensure that every child has the chance to grow and develop properly.

### Discipleship:



We believe that for a child to truly thrive, we must introduce them to Jesus. In Him, we find all that we are lacking, far beyond our circumstances. He is our Hope in the darkness.

### Strong Families:



Children thrive in an environment of safety, security, and love. Where possible, we believe that as we strengthen, encourage, and restore families, we will see the lives of children change too.

### **Community Transformation:**

We are committed to changing lives one by one, but we also believe in the power of community. Together, we are stronger.

### Anti-Trafficking:



We enjoy the freedom we have today because someone paid a price. We are committed to fighting for the freedom of those still caught in slavery and the evil of human trafficking.

45,500+

BENEFICIARIES PRESENTED
WITH THE GOSPEL THROUGH
OUR PROGRAMS OR AT EVENTS

26,300+

CHILDREN ATTENDED
OP-SPONSORED
EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

30,700+

CHILDREN IN
DISCIPLESHIP PROGRAMS

12,700+

CHILDREN IN NUTRITION PROGRAMS

3,500+

PEOPLE HELPED THROUGH ANTI-TRAFFICKING PROGRAMS

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# Fruits of Their Labor

### From the Soil to the Stew

They say that when faced with adversity, what you contain rises to the surface. If that is the case, then the people of Ukraine are filled with something truly extraordinary.

Over the past year, the nation of Ukraine has been at the forefront of our news channels and media feeds. On February 24, 2022, war broke out across cities, towns, and villages, forcing thousands to flee to safety.

Teams from around the world, including those from our own CBN family, reached out to the surrounding nations in order to help the many people displaced by the violent attacks. Not only did the world heed the call to action, but the people within the borders of Ukraine itself rose up to meet the needs of the refugees.

One of those people was a Roma man named Shony.

Shony is from the west of Ukraine and lives in a Roma camp with his family. The community is a part of Orphan's Promise through our *Something to Eat Every Day* (SEED) project.





As the people began to make their way from the bombarded cities, like Mariupol, and on toward the west, Shony felt like he had to do something to make a difference. He did not have much in terms of material things to offer, but he did have a large cooking pot and a determination to use what he had to change the lives of the people that came across his community.

Taking the pot, he gathered vegetables and a little meat in order to make a traditional stew called *bograch*. Through this simple act of obedience, once a week, Shony is able to feed around 1,000 people with a good quality, nutritious meal.

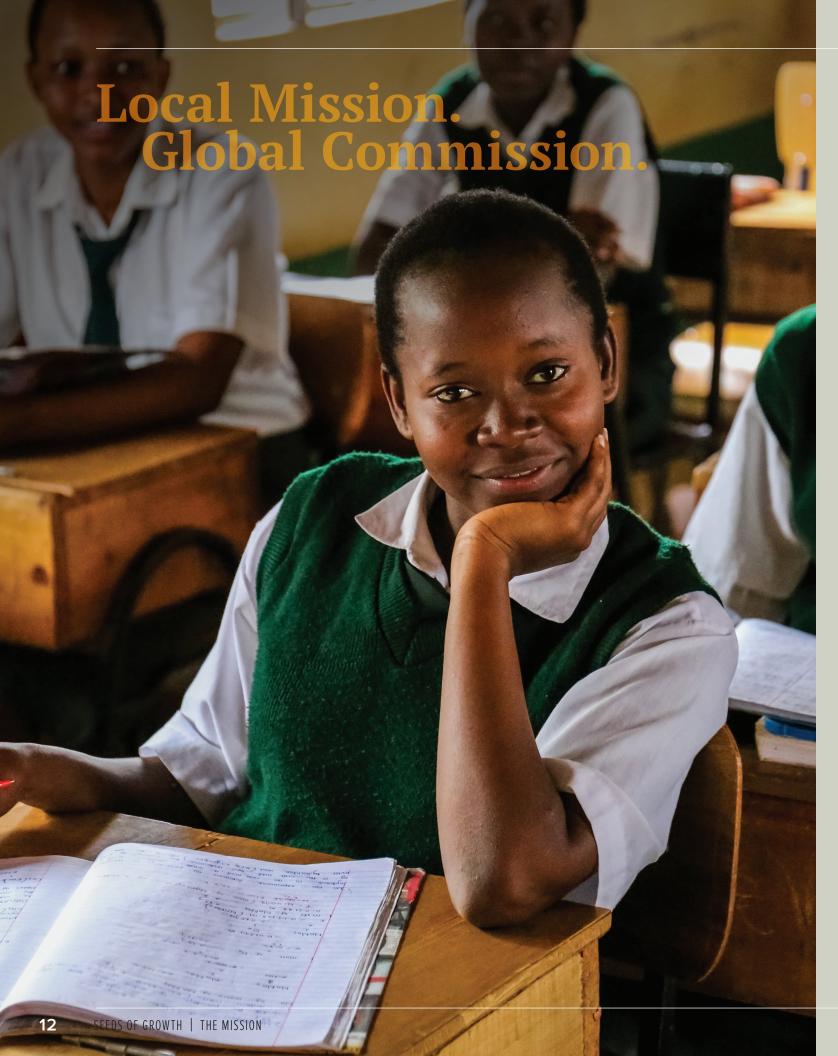
And to make this story even more wonderful, Shony has used the SEED project to fill his stew with all the root vegetables he needs!

Through this outreach, Shony has fed and nourished so many people physically. He has also had the opportunity to share the hope of the Gospel by praying with those who have been deeply affected by the war.

From the soil of the field and simple vegetables, the hurting and broken find sustenance—and hope can now grow.

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Orphan's Promise gets the opportunity to speak hope, light, and truth into 69 nations of the world through 413 active projects. We believe that every child has incredible God-given potential inside of them, and we work tirelessly to give them every opportunity to fulfill that potential.

Our strategy is to work in partner-

ship with others in order to see the fullness of our vision become a reality. That is why we come together with churches, organizations, and partners to effectively reach the local community. We are committed to putting our "boots on the ground" in these communities by being present and taking an active part in the lives of the people we are serving. We don't want to be disconnected or be an absent part of their story.

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The mission of
Orphan's Promise
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It is also important to ensure that we keep a wide perspective too.

As a global team, we at Orphan's Promise meet regularly to pray, share new ideas, and encouage one another. Although we would love this to be face to face, we are blessed by the technology at our fingertips

that helps to make the world a more accessible place. We also get the chance to share life-changing stories through our social media channels and video content.

We are not made for isolation, but for community. Together, we are strengthened to do our part in the many places we have been called to—our local mission. Together, as a body of many parts, we are also reminded of the bigger picture that is being painted—our global commission.

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# The Power of Legacy

### **Sowing for Others to Reap**

We all want to be part of something bigger than ourselves. We want to live a life that makes a difference for others. We want to be a people who plan ahead, intentionally thinking about what comes after us.

Building a legacy relies on someone else taking the baton. It is about someone else buying into your heart and culture. We cannot build like a one-man band. Instead, we must build as a body if we want to see a legacy that outlasts us.

Karen is one of our incredible donors. She is a third-generation CBN partner and believes in the power of generosity. We sat down with Karen to find out why and how she sows into the work of Orphan's Promise.

"I have been supporting Orphan's Promise for almost 18 years. I grew up in a family that supported CBN. The 700 Club was always on the TV, and it was a part of our life.

I give to Orphan's Promise because they really, truly change lives. They are an organization that is so caring, and their model makes a lot of sense to me.





They work within the local country and that way there's follow-up support. Working with the local groups, they really get to know kids. Orphan's Promise gives children the opportunity to learn all the skill sets that they never would've gotten otherwise. It gives kids a chance to break the cycle of poverty.

Legacy is very important to me. My family is a third-generation Orphan's Promise donor. Family legacy is very important. We might have 70, 80, maybe a hundred years on this earth, but if you give and you invest in children, that will live way beyond any of our life period here. It's very important to give back, to give to the right place, where there's really going to be fruit. And I can't think of a better place than Orphan's Promise."

> We are so thankful for people like Karen and her family who have sown into the work of CBN for

generations by building a legacy that far outweighs and outlasts their days.

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## Rise to the Challenge

### **Finding Hope in the Kitchen**

Tábanos is an area of Buenos Aires,
Argentina, that is known for issues of
violence and drug addiction. Many children
of the community are caught up in these
cycles, and there is little alternative to
escape from the associated problems.
However, Orphan's Promise is at work to
give these at-risk children a way to build a
different future.

Maria, the program coordinator, recalled, "When we started the Tábanos Soup Kitchen, it was very difficult. There was fighting all the time. The children came with knives and were very aggressive."

Through a program at the soup kitchen called *Panaderitos*, or "little bakers," we are not only providing nutritional support for families, but we are also teaching young people about the bakery trade. We also get the opportunity to speak life and truth into their lives through the Gospel.



Roman is one of the children who has been part of *Panaderitos*.

"Before I attended Panaderitos, I fought and I was violent with people," he said. "I used to disrespect my mother and disobey my father. I was away from home all day. It was midnight and I was still outside my house!

Since I have been attending the soup kitchen, I no longer have this behavior. I am different now because of the Bible and God came into my heart."

Now, Roman has been equipped with a trade and is filled with the hope of Jesus! Roman goes out into the community to share the Gospel and encourage others to come to this program. He has seen firsthand how this alternative is much better than the life he might have known—a place where children can have a chance to grow, learn, and thrive away from the difficulties of their circumstances. *Panaderitos* has changed his life forever, and now he wants other children's lives to be changed as well.

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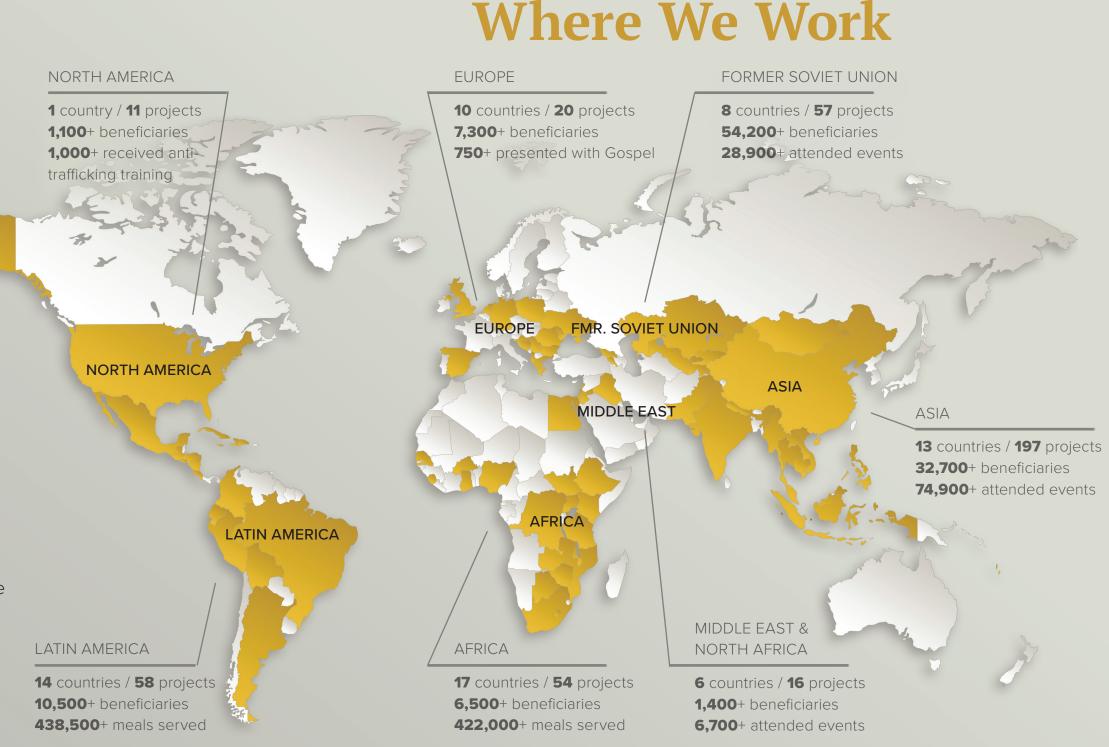
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### Placed and Positioned

When Orphan's Promise began nearly 20 years ago, we had no idea that it would grow to what we see today. We began with a heart for family, which expanded to a nation, and now has spread across the world. In all the growth we have experienced through the years, we know that God has been working behind the scenes to position us exactly where He needs us.

We thank God daily for the journey that He has brought us on and for the people who have walked beside us, sacrificially sowing into the vision, so that we might reap the harvest. Today, thanks to our donors and partners, we work in 69 countries, across multiple regions, taking the most vulnerable and at-risk children and leading them into a future full of promise.

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## Regional Updates

REGIONS

69 COUNTRIES

413

**ACTIVE PROJECTS** 

114,000+



#### NORTH AMERICA:

"After the challenging years of COVID, it was wonderful to see this year the re-emerging of relationships, programs, and ministry opportunities. It was a year of renewal and rebuilding on strong foundations."

—Rachel D.,
Regional Manager



#### **EUROPE**:

"This past year was challenging and beautiful in the same breath. We have encountered many broken lives but have witnessed amazing restoration as well. We are thankful for everyone who we were able to touch and for those who made it possible."

—Vanja B., Regional Manager



#### FORMER SOVIET UNION:

"We have experienced many conflicts as a region in 2022. But despite all the difficulties, all projects function effectively to enhance the kingdom of God. Thanks to your support, we are working with all our might to preserve the childhood of our children."

—Olga B., Regional Manager

#### LATIN AMERICA:

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"2022 confirmed the importance of not just giving humanitarian aid, but spiritual support as well. Our projects are stronger than ever, and families are thriving spiritually and economically. Our hearts are full of gratitude to the Lord!"

—Karina N., Regional Manager



### AFRICA:

"2022 has been a year where we have harvested many smiles from the children we serve. God showed up and showed off in all we did in a big way."

—Esther K., Regional Manager



#### MIDDLE EAST & ISRAEL:

"Despite unprecedented political turmoil and the ongoing threat of terrorism throughout our daily lives, we have been able to see the Lord use our projects to touch more lives than ever this year."

—Naomi M., Israel Coordinator



#### ASIA:

"This has been the year of God's grace and fresh revelation, realigning us and refocusing us in serving and discipling the children in a holistic way. Not only are we transforming their lives but their families as well."

—Purwati P.,
Regional Manager

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# A Spark in His Eyes

### **Equipping for the Future**

The first thing you'll notice about this little boy is the life and spark in his eyes. His name is Chiva, which means "life" in Cambodian. He lives in a rural, mountainous region of Cambodia called Koh Kong.

The biggest challenge facing Chiva's family is basic survival.

Most people in Chiva's community live off of what they can grow, and they don't have any extra to sell or any way to expand their income. For Chiva and his family, it's no different.

Having enough food for the children is a constant struggle that weighs heavily on his parents. They dream of a different future for their children, but breaking the cycle of poverty is incredibly complicated. Access to education plays a big role in changing the trajectory of the future, but for a long time, sending their children to school was out of the question.

We heard about Chiva and were able to help this family through our local church partner and the School of Life program near his community.



Giving at-risk kids access to education and a safe, stable environment to grow and learn is essential in helping them thrive and receive the tools to build a better future.

Because of your partnership, Chiva started coming to school five days a week, giving him the education he needs and also access to nutritious meals, which is vital for his development and growth.

Giving Chiva access to an education will serve him well for the rest of his life and equip him with tools to help him break out of the cycle of poverty. When we talked with him, he wanted to thank Orphan's Promise partners like you for helping him go to school. He also promises that he is studying hard for his future and for his family.

Seeing how eager
Chiva is to learn is
one of the greatest
privileges. It is an
honor and a joy to
come alongside little

ones like him and give them a safe, stable environment for them to explore, learn, and tangibly experience the love of God.

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### **A Time** to Flourish

### **Christopher's Story of Success**

You may recognize Christopher from a story back in 2009 when Terry visited a small educational project in Zambia. Life had been hard for Christopher. His mother had abandoned him, his father sadly passed away, and the man who he knew as "Uncle" used him as free labor to herd his livestock.

But Christopher had a dream—a dream to go to school to receive an education and the opportunity of a better life.

Through Orphan's Promise, Christopher embarked upon a journey to make that dream a reality. He began in kindergarten and quickly moved up to the fourth grade. He knew that he was behind his friends, but he was determined to succeed.

Orphan's Promise continued to work with Christopher by sponsoring him as a school boarder.

Terry told him, "Last night, I woke up and I was thinking about you. I thought about David in the Bible. He was a great man of God. And you know what? He was first





# **Looking Ahead**

All we need to do is switch on our TV screens or open the news app on our phones to see that the needs are increasing every day. Whether through war, natural disasters, economic crashes, or corruption of authority, it is often the most vulnerable members of society that are hit the hardest, and it's the children who seem to suffer the most.

We want to ensure that for those children who are caught in the cycle of poverty, cast aside by society or victims of their circumstances, have an opportunity to build a different future for themselves. We want to equip them with all they need physically, emotionally, and spiritually to walk in all that God has for them.

As we look toward the horizon of this next year, we don't want to shrink back. We want to embrace the vision, mission, and mandate that is over us as Orphan's Promise like never before through expansion into more nations, projects, and communities.

We want to raise our hand with a great big yes to the call of God to go into all the world—to the highways, byways, backstreets, and alleyways—and take the light of the Gospel to the darkest of places.

Together, we will go.





Thank you for standing with us as we strive to make a difference in our world.

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