

FIELD Report

REACHING HUNGRY NATIONS WITH THE GOSPEL

OVER ONE MILLION DOLLARS OF RELIEF PROVIDED TO TSUNAMI SURVIVORS

THANK YOU PARTNERS!

Because of your overwhelming generosity to the tsunami-stricken areas of Asia, our partner ministries have reported back to us that nearly 100,000 people have received nourishment and hope in their time of need!

The most miraculous fact is that out of all this tragedy God's glory and compassion are more obvious than ever!

Hearts are genuinely open, wondering... and waiting for someone to come and fill them with hope. Feed The Hungry has not only brought food for their bodies, but Living Bread for their souls.

"The groups we are working with on the ground are doing an excellent job," reports FTH's Stefan Radelich, after his recent trip to the region. "We especially rejoice over the work in *Thailand*." Thailand is officially a Buddhist nation with only a handful of churches among the 600,000 people in the two prov-

inces most affected by the tsunami. The need for evangelism is great. In conjunction with every distribution of food, Charlie Milbrodt of Living Word Ministries has sent teams of counselors, evangelists, and church planters. Over 100,000 copies of books by Joyce Meyer and Billy Joe Daugherty have been printed in Thai and are put in every family pack. Souls are coming to Christ and churches are being born among precious people who have never heard the Gospel.

Sri Lanka, also primarily Buddhist, has been a hotbed of persecution against Christianity. Any aid given through the government has been denied to Christian organizations. *Yet your gifts translated into needed food and relief items given directly through vibrant churches to our brothers and sisters in Christ; this outpouring of compassion has empowered the Church to share the love of Jesus in a way that was impossible before the tsunami.*

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Ben Evans, Director of FTH Australia, hard at work assembling Family Packs in Thailand

"MOST OF THE CAMPS IN THAILAND ARE RECEIVING ONLY RICE AND NOODLES, SO THE PEOPLE'S EYES REALLY SHINED WHEN FTH CAME BRINGING A WIDE VARIETY OF ITEMS INCLUDING DRIED FISH, COOKING OIL, TEA, AND SUGAR." - Stefan Radlich

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RELIEF TO TSUNAMI SURVIVORS

The massive supply of food to local ministries in *India* has become, in one minister's words, a "filling station for food and new life in Christ."

Our partners at India Christian Mission and Harvest Vision Ministries have seen the fruits of your gifts already multiplying. Their food distribution programs help over 1,000 families daily. Hundreds of fishing families along the coastline, a Hindu area strongly resistant to the Gospel, have seen God in action and new believers are coming to Christ every day. One village has been nicknamed "the Promised Land" and now has its first church being built.

Other blessing comes from the Angel Vitamin Alliance which has donated thousands of bottles of children's multi-vitamin, specially formulated for the unique needs of the youngest tsunami survivors in *Indonesia*.

Let's continue to pray for our newfound family in the faith, the survivors of this terrible event, and our partner ministries who are hard at work



In addition to providing basic necessities, Feed The Hungry has expanded its efforts to include more than just food. Pots, pans, and fishing nets are helping families get back on their feet economically. An-

providing aid. Through this tragedy, multitudes from all faiths are seeing the love of the living God revealed through your gifts of compassion.

Jean Pierre Rummens, director of FTH-Germany, spoke of one especially poignant moment he had while in *Sri Lanka*. He came across the rubble of a small church, where only three main posts and the pulpit remained. "The pulpit was still standing up straight," he recounts. "For me it was God saying, '**I have everything in control.**'" The believers here are eager to share the gospel!"

For the people of these ravaged countries, the Church represents shelter and safety. People seek out the tents erected for worship for their supplies and food, and they now see that God is real and cares for their needs. Our workers are reporting that new cell church groups are springing up to nurture the new Christians.

OVERHEARD:

A militant Muslim group in Northern Indonesia was handing out flyers to people telling them that the food brought by Westerners was poisoned. In response, one man tore up the flyer saying,
"It is the Christians who are wiping the tears from our cheeks."

SEEING FRUIT IN

CUBA



“What God the Father considers to be pure and genuine religion is this: to take care of orphans and widows in their suffering” (James 1:27 GNB).

In the face of great need, and through your willingness to respond to that need, God has opened doors in Cuba to bring food to Christians there who are ministering to the elderly. Working with government authorization, many different churches have united to carry food to the destitute seniors in their communities and also in three residential facilities. In all, about 1500

people will benefit from the shipment of food, and a remaining portion will also bless the pastors involved in this outreach.



A la congregación completa y a todos los que de una forma u otra han tenido que servir en esto, nuestro agradecimiento.

Siempre a su servicio: Beatriz Lopez

translation:

The whole congregation and everyone who was involved in one way or another in this project are very grateful for all you have done.”

Always in His service: Beatriz Lopez

Republic of Cuba is a Spanish-speaking nation of more than 11 million people. Since the Communist revolution in 1959 led by Fidel Castro, the people of Cuba have suffered greatly under religious, economic, and political tyranny. In 1990, when Communism collapsed in Eastern Europe, Cuba’s foreign trade and support from Russia also collapsed, producing a severe economic crisis that forced Castro to loosen his

restrictions against free trade. A 1998 visit by Pope John Paul II added momentum to growing interest and participation in religion. Today, the church is enjoying a greater level of acceptance than in the early years of Castro’s rule. The majority of Cubans profess to be Roman Catholic, and growing numbers of Protestant churches are preaching the gospel and ministering to the poor.

PRAYER POINTS PRAYER POINTS PRAYER POINTS

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Pray for new believers and a fruitful follow-up after the recent crusade and distribution.

LIBERIA

Pray for the April crusade with leadership conferences and food distribution. Ask the Lord to impact that nation through the tangible love of God.

FTH

Help us press forward with the vision, with God’s mandate to feed the hungry, save the lost, and strengthen the Church.

Peter Sumrall from Jerusalem

Sri Lanka family happily waits at FTH food distribution site.



Peter Sumrall outside the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza Hotel, Jerusalem



Recently while in Jerusalem I visited the Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza Hotel, the very place where the Lord woke my Dad at a quarter-till-midnight to reveal His passion for feeding hungry people all over the world. I thought about our humble beginnings and where we are today... reaching countless thousands with the love of God and the hope of the Gospel... and I just want to let you know as a partner and friend that Feed The Hungry is making a greater impact on our world today than ever before.

Because of your generosity, food and relief supplies worth over one million dollars have been distributed in Jesus' name to tsunami devastated areas in Thailand, India, Indonesia and Sri Lanka. Right now FTH is in the Dominican Republic, distributing food through the hands of local pastors to needy saints and new believers who just came to Christ as a result of the Victory La Romana Crusade with Billy Joe Daugherty. Looking forward, in April we'll be in the war-ravaged city of Monrovia, Liberia where potentially 100,000 people will hear the Gospel nightly in open air meetings. Feed The Hungry has sent 150 tons of food that will be distributed to the poor through a coalition made up of hundreds of churches.

When the Lord spoke to my Dad's heart in 1987, He said that God's people are hungry... they are the last to get fed and we need to reach them. And because of your faithful support – because you are our partner – this heavenly vision is being fulfilled.

I want to thank you today for reaching the least and the lost with the love of Jesus. I want to thank you for supporting Feed The Hungry in prayer— our mission, our staff, and the ministries we work with all around the world. Only heaven will tell of all you have done for our Savior!

Serving the hungry

**PLEASE
PRAY:**

With the occurrence of additional earthquakes, damage and suffering in Indonesia, please pray that a wave of compassion will flow to the people affected, and for a supernatural multiplication of resources.

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*Emergency food for hungry believers around the world
*Training pastors worldwide to build and strengthen the local church
*Evangelistic campaigns — *the Gospel preached, the sick healed, the oppressed set free in the name of Jesus!*