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Your support allowed Toni, a pastor in Albania, to deliver food to people in need. Toni said, "Even though we cannot meet as a church right now, there are so many ways we can be the church by caring for people in need."

Because of you, hundreds of people did not go hungry

As COVID-19 swept across the globe earlier this year, we heard reports from our cross-cultural workers who were buying food, medicine, and basic necessities for their neighbors. Many people around the world are day laborers who barely earn enough to make ends meet. With the sudden lockdown orders, the most vulnerable to the economic impact of the pandemic ran out of money and food very quickly.

We reached out to you, our faithful supporters, and you responded generously! **Hundreds of people had food because you took the time to give and to pray. Thank you!**

Crisis in Peru

Here is just one story we heard from Tim and Jennifer Goshorn, who minister in Peru. The Goshorns coordinate a children's ministry, lead a

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Bible study in the local women's prison, and host a feeding program.

When COVID-19 caused the Peruvian government to enforce a lockdown, many residents were left without the resources to buy food. Tim and Jennifer worried about the children who attend their family's ministry.



Because of your generosity, Tim (pictured here) and Jennifer were able to deliver food to more than 300 people each week in Peru.

These children, some of whom are orphans left to fend for themselves, do not have enough to eat even under normal circumstances.

Tim met with the local police and explained the plight of his neighbors. The police gave Tim special permission to take food to the children and families he serves. Soon, Tim and Jennifer were delivering groceries to more than 300 people each week.

“One mother called me and said her children had not eaten in four days,” said Tim. “I took her some food, and she was amazed that a stranger would help. I told her Jesus is no stranger and that He cares for her.”

Your donations fed hungry people

Your support made it possible for 27 cross-cultural workers and international partners in 14 countries to deliver food and share the love of Jesus with hundreds of people. You gave more than \$43,000 that went directly to feed people in need! And as these workers delivered food, they prayed and shared the good news

of Jesus with their neighbors.

Thank you for your generosity. Because of you, people you will never meet will not go hungry; relationships have been strengthened as our workers reached out to their communities, and the saving message of Jesus was shared with many people who had nearly lost hope.

An enduring legacy

The TMS Global community mourns the passing of Alice Maclin, the wife and ministry partner of our organization's founding president, H.T. Maclin, on June 23, 2020.

Wed in 1947, H.T. and Alice began serving as cross-cultural workers in the Central Congo in 1952. In 1960, the couple and their four children moved to Kenya where H.T. and Alice founded an institution for the training of Christian broadcasters/scriptwriters and audio-visual specialists.

The Maclins returned to the United States in 1971. H.T. worked for The United Methodist Church's mission board, and Alice taught at what is now Georgia Perimeter College. In early 1984, H.T. became the founding president of the newly launched organization, The Mission Society for United Methodists, which is now TMS Global.

Please join us in praying for the Maclin family during this time. We praise God for the lives of H.T. and Alice, for their faithful service, and for the rich legacy they have left to the TMS Global community.



Finding worth



Two Thai youth now know they matter because of the witness of a worker you helped send through your support.

Thomas* is a TMS Global cross-cultural worker who serves in Thailand. Thomas teaches English and shares his faith in Jesus with his neighbors and students.

Thomas began tutoring Niran* after school. When they first met, Niran wasn't doing well in school, was misbehaving in class, and had a bad reputation in the neighborhood.

Thomas offered to tutor Niran and his younger cousin, Kla,* for free. They began to meet each week and, as they studied, people from the neighborhood would come by and interrupt the lessons with hurtful comments made to the boys.

"I prayed and showed up every week with patience and a positive attitude, determined to love these kids," said Thomas. "I told them I didn't care how long it took; I would teach them every week."

Slowly, Thomas could see a change in Niran and Kla. They fought less and tried harder to learn English. The boys began to grow in confidence. The boys' family noticed the difference in their behavior.

"People in the neighborhood now smile and show kindness to Niran and Kla," said Thomas. "Life has dealt them a very difficult hand, but instead of dipping their heads in shame, they smile. They know they matter."

It is your support that enables Thomas to serve in Thailand, offering the love and message of Jesus to vulnerable youth who are not yet aware of His grace. Thank you for giving so others will know their worth in Him.

**Names changed for privacy*

The hands and feet of Jesus

I don't think I am alone in feeling that 2020 has been unlike any other year I have ever known.

While there have been times of discouragement, frustration, and loss, I have also experienced the body of Christ come together to be the hands and feet of Jesus during this crisis.

Although many of our workers were in lockdown, they were actively sharing their faith with their neighbors via online platforms, delivering food to people who needed help, and building community in creative ways.

Thank you for being such faithful supporters of TMS Global and our cross-cultural workers. You continued to give generously during this time to spread the love and message of Jesus to people around the globe. You are the hands and feet of Jesus!



Max Wilkins
President & CEO

TRAIN, MOBILIZE, and SERVE cross-cultural workers around the world!



You can help share the gospel with least-reached communities!

Your gift today will help to TRAIN, MOBILIZE, and SERVE cross-cultural workers who share the transforming love of Jesus with their neighbors.

The Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act (the CARES Act) allows an additional deduction on top of the standard deduction from a donor's income for cash gifts made to public charities and churches during 2020.

We are so grateful for your partnership and support!



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