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“At International Aid we seek to glorify Christ in all that we do. Providing medical and health resources to our partners that are serving in the field helps serve as meaning in our work. The meaning of glorifying Christ. Meaning that is beyond our own understanding at times.

But what good is meaning without purpose? The purpose of International Aid is to show God’s love to those in need. By providing much needed resources, medical and health, we are showing the Love of Christ to the hurting, as we see lives improved and changed through the products we supply and our partners who use them.

International Aid...Meaning *with* Purpose, it’s what we are called to do.”

CHANGING LIVES GLOBALLY...

A message from I.A. President and CEO

Dear Friends,

Health care. When a loved one is in need of it, we’re willing to do almost anything to help. In many countries, this involves having to walk for miles, waiting for hours or possibly days to see a health provider, hoping that if there is equipment, it works, and praying that if a proper diagnosis is found, there will be medicine available.

This is quite a contrast to our health care system here in the United States. However, because we have been blessed with some of the best health care in the world, it creates an opportunity for us to make a significant difference in the lives of people in need.

By providing patient monitoring, diagnostic, and surgical equipment as well as medicines and personal care products, International Aid is changing lives globally – including here in the United States. Through the compassion and generosity of our donors and the heartfelt efforts of our partners, International Aid has delivered nearly \$1.5 billion of relief.

Health care. Somebody’s loved one needs it. You can help provide it.

In His Service,

Brian Anderson, President/CEO



Ladies Group Helps With I.A. Mission



A seed was planted nearly 30 years ago when a representative from International Aid visited their church and informed them of the work that I.A. was doing. Since then, the women at Rehoboth Reformed Church, in McBain, MI. have been dedicating their time making quilts and lap robes to donate to I.A. so that we can send them off to partners in the field who have needs for such items.

Initially the women would come and spend the day here at I.A. in the sewing area, but since our volunteer efforts has been reformatted, the women have now created their own service day at their church where they can spend time giving back. "Our desire is to help someone who has nothing...we have so much" says Patti Bosscher, from the group. Thank you ladies for your efforts you help our Meaning *with Purpose!*

Make a gift and receive an income for life!

Many Christians assume that a gift to charity will mean that they and their families can no longer benefit from the property given. That is definitely not the case when you select a **Life Income Agreement**.

This giving arrangement provides you with tax and income benefits while supporting International Aid. Yes, you can make a gift and receive an income for life!

How do life income agreements work?

With a **Life Income Agreement**, you make a charitable gift of cash or other property and receive an immediate tax deduction while receiving an income for life, with the remainder going to your favorite Christian causes.

Benefits of a Life Income Agreement

- An income to you for your lifetime.
- Immediate income tax deduction for the charitable value of the gift.
- The remainder which passes to charity at your death is not subject to estate tax.
- If funded with appreciated assets, you avoid the immediate realization of capital gain.

If you would like to discuss whether a Charitable Gift Annuity is right for you, please call:

Bill Erickson, International Aid Director of Advancement 616.935.6868

Or Nneka Obasi, International Aid Director of Advancement – Chicago Region 312.952.9818

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ISAIAH 25:4

"You have been a refuge for the poor, a refuge for the needy in his distress, a shelter from the storm and a shade for the heat. For the breath of the ruthless is like a storm diving against the wall."

Mirroring God's Agenda

Poverty is a major topic in Scripture. In fact, poverty is mentioned in the Bible more often than money. There are over 400 Bible verses about poverty. Because God is concerned about every person who is poor, those who are truly close to God will mirror that concern.

- Deanna Carlson

International Aid...by the numbers

Because of the generous support of Businesses, Organizations and Individuals, International Aid has been able to do a tremendous amount of work this year. We are blessed to see how God has worked through our ministry. Thank you for choosing to make International Aid YOUR partner ministry. Here is our impact since July 1, 2012:



\$87 MILLION

Amount of aid sent to partners in the areas of greatest need, both in the U.S. and abroad



87 COUNTRIES

Number of countries that received product from International Aid



177 PARTNERS

Number of partner organizations that received aid from International Aid

Mending lives in Moore, Oklahoma

On May 20, 2013, a huge tornado wreaked havoc on Moore, Oklahoma, tearing right through the town. It was rated an EF5, the highest possible tornado with 210 mile per hour winds. Two-dozen people lost their lives, hundreds were injured, and thousands of buildings sustained damage—from minor problems to complete destruction.

Thanks to the help of our corporate and individual donors, International Aid was able to respond with a truckload of relief supplies. Everything from extension cords to toothpaste, hammers to hand soap, dog food to blankets...all this and more was shipped to Oklahoma to help those who had lost so much. Although we can't replace all of the items that the people lost in this tornado, we can help them mend and rebuild their lives.

This devastating tornado gave us another opportunity to share the *Hope, Joy and Love* found in Jesus Christ, through the distribution of these products. Thanks to our partners who were already working in the area, the placement and distribution of these items was immediate. Hundreds of products were distributed in just a few short days, but numerous lives were changed for many days to come.

Even though we've traveled to Oklahoma and back, the work needing to be done there is still great. Please continue to pray for the lives that have been affected by this event and that they will seek to find complete healing in Jesus Christ. Thank you for being a part of our mission with us Together we *are* doing amazing things to reach the world for Christ! International Aid...Meaning *with Purpose*.



OUR mission...

*THE MISSION OF INTERNATIONAL AID IS TO GLORIFY CHRIST
BY PROVIDING MEDICAL AND HEALTH RESOURCES TO
GLOBAL PARTNERS SERVING PEOPLE IN NEED.*



International Aid is a Christian relief ministry that seeks to tangibly demonstrate the love of Jesus Christ to those who are suffering.

For 33 years, International Aid has equipped servants worldwide with the tools that they depend on to bring healing and restoration to those who desperately need to know the one true healer.

So much of this is done through the distribution of life saving medicines, hygiene products, nutritional supplements and reconditioned medical equipment to hundreds of ministries and humanitarian organizations serving in areas of greatest need.

As a 501(c)3 organization, International Aid has had the privilege of partnering with thousands of like-minded individuals, businesses and associations who give of themselves so that others may be the recipients of a better quality of life.

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