

# INTERNATIONAL DISASTER RELIEF





SAMARITAN'S PURSE
2023 PARTNERSHIP REPORT





Thank you for partnering with Samaritan's Purse. Because of your generosity, more people are being reached all over the world in Jesus' Name. The following pages provide an overview of the responses last year. May you be encouraged by the wonderful impact stories.

We thank God for you, and we look forward to partnering with you again this year to bring hope and help to more people in need.

With blessings from the team at Samaritan's Purse Australia/New Zealand.

#### YOUR DONATION HAS A GLOBAL IMPACT

SAMARITAN'S PURSE was able to come alongside many hurting people to provide relief in Jesus' Name last year. Your generous support enabled the distribution of essential supplies to 35,000 refugees including food, hygiene kits, blankets, clothing and medical care to Armenians escaping conflict. In partnership with local churches in Israel, we have been able to distribute food and hygiene kits to civilians. We are also replacing 14 new ambulances that were destroyed. We responded to an earthquake in the Middle East, hurricane in Mexico, and are still on the ground in the Ukraine providing medical and practical assistance to refugees.



**WE HAD 15 PEOPLE** from Australia and New Zealand deploy around the world serving in medical and logistics capacities. Lilian deployed to Armenia to help in the medical unit.

She shares, "we work until the job is done... My role is indirectly supporting the victims of the explosion, but their families are grateful and showered our medical providers with heartfelt thanks. The Armenian medical staff expressed the same sentiment, an initially suspicious relationship has turned into trust and respect, and they are much unburdened by our help."



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NEW REPLACEMENT AMBULANCES
DESTINED FOR ISRAEL

MEDICAL AND LOGISTICS
PERSONNEL DEPLOYED
IN ARMENIA



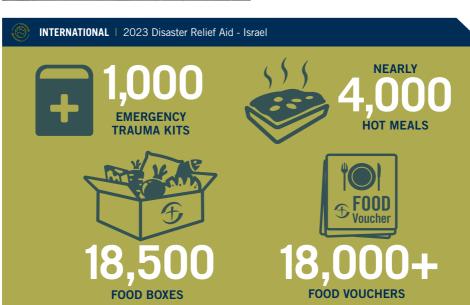
### **UKRAINE**

PARTNERING WITH GOOD WORKS MISSION in Poland. They provide hygiene items, clothing, language lessons and hot meals to Ukrainian refugees. They were able to feed more than 80,000 women, children, and elderly refugees last year.



## **ISRAEL**

SAMARITAN'S PURSE DISASTER ASSISTANCE RESPONSE TEAMS (DART) have been on the ground since 10 October, providing many tons of relief to aid suffering families displaced by the violence. So far this has included 18,500 food boxes, nearly 4,000 hot meals, and more than 18,000 food vouchers to families in need. We have also airlifted 1,000 emergency trauma kits, as well as Operation Christmas Child gift boxes for children affected by the 7 October attacks.



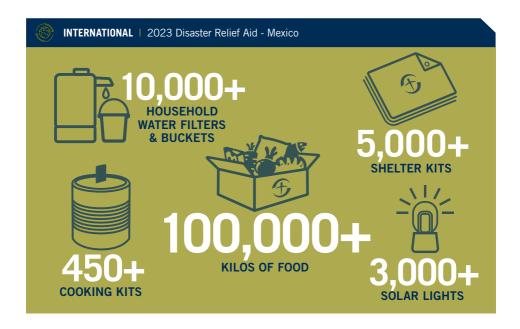
#### **MEXICO**

**ON THE 25TH OF OCTOBER 2023** the city of Acapulco in Mexico was left devastated by Hurricane Otis, a Category 5 hurricane. Over 270,000 homes and churches were destroyed, and many lives were lost. Samaritan's Purse has airlifted four planeloads of supplies to help those in desperate need of hope and practical assistance; over 100,000kg of food has been distributed; 10 water treatment systems have been installed to provide clean drinking water; over 5,000 shelter kits; over 10,000 household water filters and buckets; over 3,000 solar lights; over 1,400 hygiene kits; and over 450 cooking kits have been distributed to people in need through local church partners.

**PASTOR VILLEGAS** is one of the hundreds of thousands of residents who survived the storm, which was the strongest hurricane to ever strike the eastern Pacific. Devastated by all the destruction and downed telephone poles and power lines,

Villegas said, "I walked into the end of the world. That's what it felt like. I was just paralysed. Hope was drained out of me. I was overwhelmed. I didn't know where to start... We didn't even know where to sleep. ... When I heard Samaritan's Purse was coming down, you have no idea the relief it gave me."

We are thankful that Samaritan's Purse was able to come alongside hurting people to provide relief in Jesus' Name this past year. Thank you for your partnership.





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