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The Year in Review 2007

Israel

Many communities throughout Israel – a nation that has always been near and dear to the Sumrall family's hearts – struggle with severe economic hardship. In response, Feeding The Nations (FTN) adopted 200 families in three different Israeli towns, supplying them with supplemental nourishment for the entire year. Families in Kiryat Ata, Netanya and Ariel received nutrition and hope for the future.

As Israel's struggle continues, so does FTN's support. In 2008, FTN will adopt 200 different families in four cities – Beit Shemesh, Yavniel, Kiryat Ata and Mazkeret Batya – supplying them with supplemental nourishment and the love of Christ.

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Bangladesh

In November 2007, a cyclone struck the southwest region of Bangladesh, destroying homes, lives and families. FTN immediately sprung in to action and sent financial aid to purchase 2,525 blankets, 1,525 shawls and 1,025 big scarves, all of which were made by Bangladeshis. As winter drew nearer, these supplies played a vital role in helping the recipients survive the frigid temperatures.

After responding to those immediate needs, FTN will fulfill long-term ones as well by providing the funding in 2008 to build 70 family homes. Just as the warm blankets and protective shelters comfort the people of Bangladesh, so does God's love surround those in need. ■



Rebuilding Pakistan

Throughout 2005 and 2006, FTN gave food and hope to those affected by the devastating earthquake in Pakistan. But seeing that more needed to be done, FTN continued its support of the country through 2007 by building homes for those who became homeless or lived in makeshift shelters after the quake. FTN set a goal of building 18 houses, but the generosity of so many made it possible to build 21 homes, giving 21 families a place to call their own, a place to come in from the cold winter, a place to begin rebuilding their lives. ■

Blessing 26 Nations

Thanks to your support, FTN blessed 26 nations with \$17 million worth of support in 2007. The following nations received food, provisions and the love of Christ throughout the year:

1 North Korea

Shipped five truckloads of rice from China to feed the needy.

2 Bangladesh

Helped purchase 2,525 blankets and 2,550 warm ladies shawls, and gave funding to help build 70 homes.

3 India

Fed 700 school children in four different cities, five days a week.

4 Israel

Provided \$38,400 worth of supplemental food for 200 families for the entire year in three Israeli cities.

5 Ukraine

Sent 110,368 pounds of food and supplies valued at \$325,000.

6 Pakistan

Completed 21 new homes for earthquake victims.

7 Zambia

Sent \$1.6 million worth of food, vitamins and Bibles to support 15 Christian orphanages and schools.

8 Sudan

Helped provide 89,000 pounds of rice/vegetable viti meals and children's multi-vitamins valued at \$533,500.

9 Mexico

Provided \$550,225 worth of assorted foods and medications.

10 Malawi

Reached out with 85,000 pounds of food and vitamins/minerals valued at \$373,000.

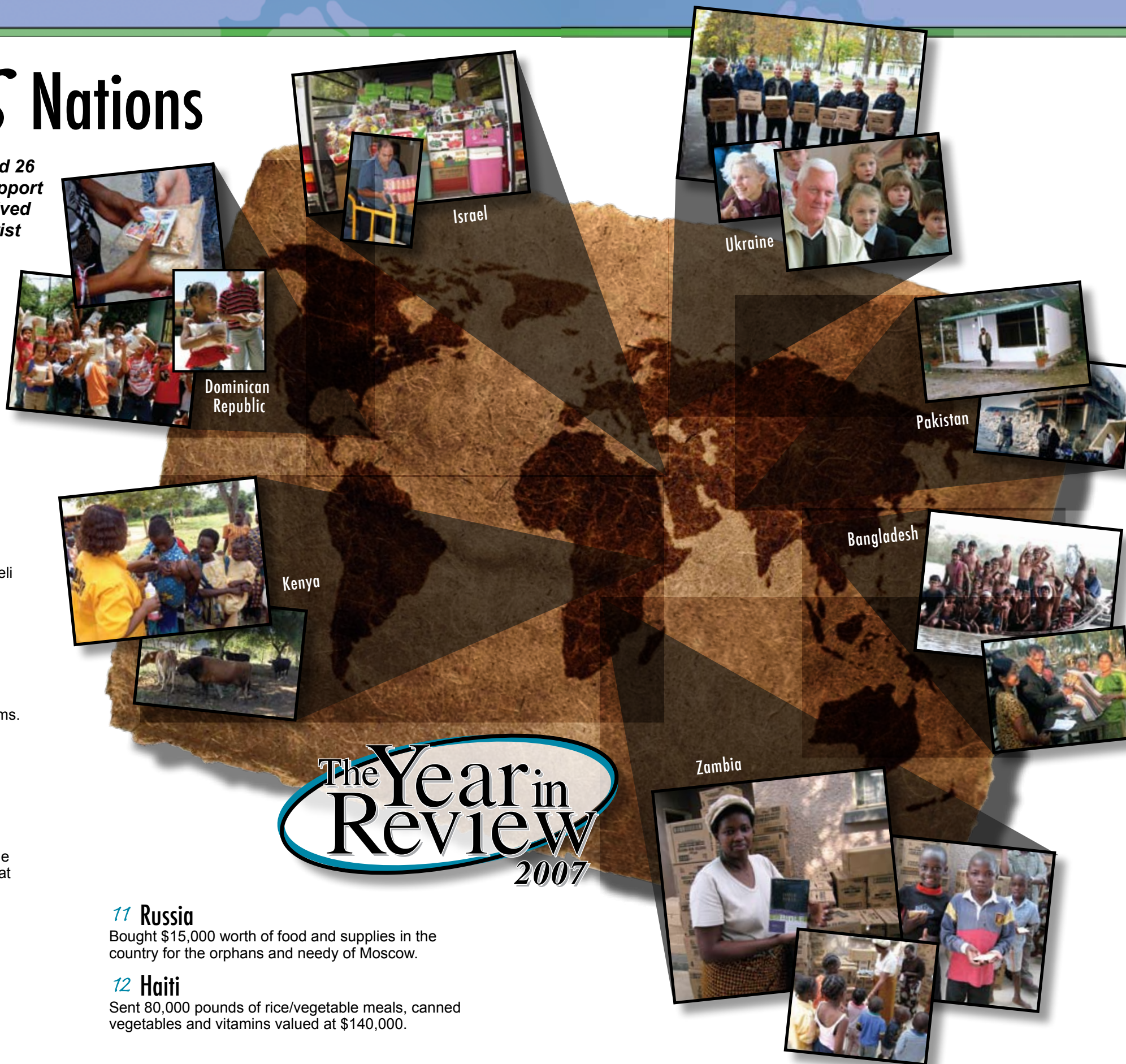
11 Russia

Bought \$15,000 worth of food and supplies in the country for the orphans and needy of Moscow.

12 Haiti

Sent 80,000 pounds of rice/vegetable meals, canned vegetables and vitamins valued at \$140,000.

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13 Honduras

Gave 100,000 pounds of food, vitamins and medicines valued at \$803,000.

14 Finland

Bought \$15,000 worth of food and supplies for the needy in Finland.

15 Niger &

16 Burkina Faso

Provided 41,500 pounds of dehydrated fruit valued at \$72,000.

17 Dominican Republic

Responded with 168,842 pounds of emergency food valued at \$145,000.

18 Kenya

Built a new church – the third FTN church in Kenya – and provided food, vitamins and medicines.

19 Peru

Sent 43,295 pounds of food.

20 Zimbabwe

Supplied them with \$2.35 million worth of medicine and assorted rice/vegetables viti meals and dried assorted fruit.

21 England

Donated \$20,000 worth of vitamins.

22 Tanzania

Within the last two years, gave \$65,000 worth of food that has been purchased in the country.

23 Latvia

Continued support of 88 children at an orphanage for another year.

24 Belize

Assisted the needy with \$20,000 in multi-vitamins.

25 Ethiopia

Shipped over \$110,000 worth of food and children's multi-vitamins.

26 USA

Blessed 12 states with over \$2.2 million worth of assorted foods, vitamins, cleaning product, clothing and over-the-counter medication.

Harvesting Kenya

On September 16, 2007, the third church in Kenya built by FTN opened its doors to welcome the people of Hadu. The people of this village have no education, live in absolute poverty and often practice witchcraft. The region experiences years of drought and then destructive flooding once the rains do come. But since the church doors have opened, God has blessed the region with rain that has provided the best harvest in years. That miracle, coupled with the outreach of the church, has started a new course for Hadu as the people have begun to turn away from witchcraft. After being open for only three weeks, the church had over 70 adults and 50 children as its members, creating another miraculous harvest.



FTN also blessed Kenya by giving them more livestock. In 2006, FTN gave the Zion Community Clinic cows to help their livelihood and create an income. The sale of the milk supports a home-based care where nurses give AIDS sufferers food and medicine. In 2007, FTN added more cows to the herd, and built a pen and a barn, giving them support for the present and the future.

Bringing Hope to the Dominican Republic

In less than a month, Hurricane Noel and Tropical Storm Olga hit the Dominican Republic, dumping three years worth of rainfall in just days, displacing tens of thousands of inhabitants and destroying thousands of homes. FTN responded shortly after the first storm hit, sending 65 tons of canned soup, green beans, potatoes, corn, mixed greens, and fortified rice and vegetable meals. Thanks to some divine timing, the rations arrived just after the second storm hit, so those affected could receive immediate support.



The food not only provided nourishment, but it also lead to countless salvations. One container of food alone prompted 900 people to give their lives to Christ. The supplies created an opportunity for hope and joy in an otherwise bleak situation.

Loving Zambia

Zambia has the highest number of orphans of anywhere in the world. A whopping 50 percent of households care for one or more orphans, most of whom lost their parents due to AIDs. Two-thirds of the nation lives on less than a dollar a day, making it difficult for families to care for their own children, let alone others. In four decades of independence, Zambia has found peace but not prosperity. That's why FTN has spent the last couple of years feeding orphans by raising funds to give 15 orphanages three meals a day. In 2006, FTN gave \$1.4 million worth of aid and \$1.6 million in 2007. FTN set the goal for 2008 at \$2 million, wanting to give more orphans the opportunity to be nourished and cherished through the love of Christ.



THE President's COLUMN



Dear Friends,

My heart is filled with joy at God's supernatural provision of food and supplies that Feeding The Nations was able to provide for 26 nations this past year. All of this has been accomplished for the Kingdom of God thanks to your willingness to partner with us through prayers and giving. With every bit of food given in Jesus' name, a life was touched by you.

Every nation that we have given food and assistance to has a story. That story will be their history and legacy of faith to His story and for His glory. The ultimate sacrifice, Jesus Christ, was given for all of mankind that they might taste and see the goodness of God.



In James 2:18, Pastor James in the first church said, "I will show you my faith by my works." The measure of any man or woman is not by what they say, but by what they do. We are not finished with our tasks, our solemn duty to reach out and touch those who are desperate, the ones whom Jesus loves.

I need your help right now to continue this great work that began in the heart of my father, Lester Sumrall, and that continues in my heart until Jesus comes. I pray that you will partner with us to reach even more nations with even more aid through 2008. Let us continue to touch this hurting world with the love of Christ.

Lester Sumrall
President