



The Loading Team in Holland enjoys the hard work



Mattresses unloaded Moldova March 21



Truck heading for Moldova March 4



Unloading relief goods Moldova March 21

**“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.” John 3:16 NIV**

**Editorial by Helen Jesze: *Jesus is Risen!!***

In Brazil a herdsman wanted to take his cows across a river, but the water was full of Piranha fishes. (These are among the world’s 10 most dangerous fish and have unbelievably strong jaws and razor-sharp teeth. Although they are only 30 cms. long, they attack their prey in packs of 100 or more, and can reduce an animal of 45 kilos to a skeleton, in less than 60 seconds!)

The cowman knew what to do, so he killed a bull and threw it in the water. Its blood drew all the Piranhas and they attacked the carcass. Now the rest of the herd could be taken safely across the river, 200 metres further up. *One gave its life so that all the others could be saved.* There was Another – Jesus-- who gave His life so that all others could be saved. At Easter we remember His suffering, His death on the cross, His burial and resurrection.



In 1970, my late husband, George and I were ministering in Norway. In a church in Stavanger we saw a huge painting on the wall behind the pulpit reaching from the ceiling to the platform. It depicted three crosses on the hill of Calvary. Under the middle cross lay a dead serpent with a crushed head, and a stream of crystal-clear water was bursting out of the hill, fulfilling God's promise in the Garden of Eden: *“And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; He will crush your head, and you will strike his heel,”* Genesis 3:15 NIV. All who will receive Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour and drink of this water, will have Life eternal. He is the answer to Life’s problems, for He is the Redeemer of the world!

Grateful thanks to all our EEO UK partners for your financial gifts and prayers! In this **Easter and Ukraine Extra** we will be sharing about war-torn Ukraine. **Can we count on you to help us meet the unprecedented needs the Mission faces there? God promises to bless those who help the poor!**

**WAR in UKRAINE**

Although at first many experts believed that it would stop at threatening words, the whole world watched in shock as Ukraine's borders were violated by a Russian invasion on 24<sup>th</sup> February. Since then there has been escalating violence, much of it against civilians and their homes. Many have died and houses left in ruins. Around 3 million refugees have fled, mostly to Poland, but many travelled to or via Hungary, Romania, Moldova, Bulgaria or to western European countries, and lastly, also to Israel. In this violent expulsion of Jews from Ukraine, God is using this to bring them back to their real homeland of Israel.



Cool Blue Company offered warehouse space



## God is in charge – God's Providence – God's Provision - a field relief report by Matthias van der Weide

A truck planning to leave 22 February from Holland to Moldova, had a delay as it needed to be reloaded. Dividing the weight over the axles is important to keep the wheels on the road. This load of food and other wares were provided by God to serve the first thousands of refugees. Many offers came from several sides so we estimated four more transports were possible. The fourth one will reach Moldova by Easter.

Our friend Peter, a retired businessman has served with us as a field volunteer since 1989 when Ceausescu's terror was ended and Romania was freed from Communism. He undertook a special initiative by driving a coach for Exobus Charity in the region of Ukraine and Belarus, to bring Jews making Aliyah on their way to Israel. On 12th March Peter, Tom and 4 others drove towards Lublin, with a van full of relief goods where they were to co-operate with a Messianic Church, and enough seats to take refugees back to Holland.



9 seater will soon transport refugees within Poland

After a week of action at the border they picked up a Ukrainian Baptist family, fleeing to freedom and safety. Shortly before this trip we were offered a holiday home in Holland by mission friends who also provided a significant sum in Euros. Andrej, his wife Wanda, their children Danilo and Daria and Granny Radeava escaped from the horrors. The day after they left their house was bombed. Two weeks later they were living in this newly built holiday home, in attractive surroundings. Praise God for this provision! They have no idea what their future holds.

Already in 1991 Peter and I first met the Muskietz family who have a special shelter for Jews making Aliyah, close to Warsaw. With their Moldovan friend Pavel, Peter and Tom will now travel to Moldova before Easter, but first delivering a 9-seater VW Crafter to the Muskietz family who bring travellers from their shelter to Warsaw train station every day. Our Mission and Relief networks in Moldova as well as Ukraine include hundreds of contacts and churches. This is a great advantage now with bringing in relief goods. Moldova has a tragic history, as in the Stalin times many of them were deported to Siberia; only a few came back. Since Russia claimed the border province of Transnistria, occupying it with their 14th army, Moldovans feel as though they are staring into the eyes of a Cobra.

**We want to end with Thanksgiving to God and faith that His resources are unlimited. Thank you for your prayers and donations!**



Distribution of relief goods in Chisinau Moldova



Tom with a van filled with relief goods



Loading the lorry for Moldova

Our mission as EEO UK remains unchanged and without any political bias we testify that only Jesus Christ can give every human being a new future, and many are praying with us that God will intervene and end the war. There have been also acts of special courage, charity and fidelity in the face of these atrocities. God as the Lord of Hosts has also gone into battle and many lives have been miraculously spared. EEO UK and Partners have not been inactive. Trucks and teams have left for the Hungarian and Polish borders to provide assistance via the International Mission Centre in Krimpen aan de Lek, Netherlands. After the Christmas transport to Moldova about which we reported in the previous edition, three full trucks have left and a fourth will reach Moldova immediately after Easter.

Moldova is also in danger of being swallowed up by Russia. Let our prayers be to the Lord and also our expectation be only from Him, who gave His life on the Cross of Calvary. Spontaneous donations provided us so far a modest budget enabling us to send money, food and goods, such as beds, medical supplies and even new clothes.

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