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Being the Hands & Feet of Jesus

Body & Soul Fed

Many blessings of 233,280 Manna Pack meals were shared with families living in poverty in Guatemala shipped and funded by OGT. Mark Sewell, a missionary

distributed the meals along with the Gospel to feed both body and soul. They feed 230 families monthly and are very grateful for nourishing meals.

Praise be to God!

Norfolk Warehouse



The Gift of Wheels

This young boy was surprised with an electric wheelchair and did he have fun driving it around! The joy on his face was heartwarming and his family was beyond grateful to Central Iowa Branch donor and volunteers whom made this happen. This wheelchair will make his daily life so much easier and more comfortable. What a



blessing, thank you, Central Iowa Branch!

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Love Loaded for Ukraine

Indiana Branch volunteers were thrilled to load bikes, 14,256 Love the Hungry meals, and various clothing for Charitable Fund Swedish Help Centre in Ukraine. Thank you for sharing many wonderful blessings with families devastated by war.

[Indiana Branch](#)



Ready to Unload

Wisconsin Branch in Westfield received great news of their shipment being unloaded in Lithuania! Many, many blessings will be shared soon with those in need.

[Wisconsin Branch](#)



Additional News

[OGT's CA-AZ-NV Collection Center volunteer Steve Rice](#) delivered backpacks, school supplies, blankets and other goods to 1000 Building Generations which works with families along the California-Mexico border.

Cornerstone Children's Ranch in Quemado, TX was grateful to receive 9,288 Mercy Meals, blankets, medical equipment, school furnishings & supplies and much more from the Norfolk Warehouse in Nebraska.

Christian Appalachian Project in Kentucky received one pallet of beans and of mixed vegetables, clothing, hygiene kits, diapers, school supplies and medical supplies from Wisconsin Branch in Westfield. The food and aid will be shared with many in need.

Weekly Devotion

They traveled from Mount Hor along the route of the Red Sea, to go around Edom. But the people grew impatient on the way; they spoke against God and against Moses, and said, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the desert? There is no bread! There is no water! And we detest this miserable food!" Then the Lord sent venomous snakes among them; they bit the people and many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, "We sinned when we spoke against the Lord and against you. Pray that the Lord will take the snakes away from us." So Moses prayed for the people. The Lord said to Moses, "Make a snake and put it up on a pole; anyone who is bitten can look at it and live." So Moses made a bronze snake

and put it up on a pole. Then when anyone was bitten by a snake and looked at the bronze snake, he lived. (Num. 21:4-9) [Jesus said], "Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes in Him may have eternal life." (John 3:14-15)

Why Choose a Snake? The people of Israel are at it again. Despite God's mighty acts of deliverance and His providential care, they complained bitterly. God has had enough of their whining. *"(He) sent venomous snakes among them; they bit the people and many Israelites died."* The people repent. Moses intercedes on their behalf. God commands Moses to erect a bronze snake, which he does, and *"when anyone was bitten by a snake and looked at the bronze snake, he lived."* Jesus refers to this Old Testament historical event during His conversation with Nicodemus, recorded in *John Chapter 3*. He tells Nicodemus, *"Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes in Him may have eternal life."* Jesus would be *"lifted up,"* which was a euphemism for being crucified. Just as the Israelites looked upon the bronze snake and were saved, we can look upon Christ, hanging on a pole—a cross—and be forgiven and saved. One thing has always bothered me about the bronze snake. Why did God choose a snake as a means of deliverance for His people? It was a snake, after all, that deceived Adam and Eve, which brought judgment upon the whole human race. Here's what I found on gotquestions.org. "God was teaching His people something about faith. It is totally illogical to think that looking at a bronze image could heal anyone from a snakebite, but that is exactly what God told them to do. It took an act of faith in God's plan for anyone to be healed, and the serpent on the stick was a reminder of their sin which brought about their suffering. There is no connection between this serpent and the serpent which Satan spoke through in the Garden of Eden. This serpent was symbolic of the serpents God used to chastise the people for their unbelief."

Prayer: We praise You, Jesus, for Your death on the cross enables us to look to You, believe, and be saved. Amen.

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