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Isaiah 40:8

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever



#### Travel Plans

In 2019, Vision Beyond Borders was able to send 152 travelers on roughly 32 trips. In 2020, we were hopeful we could meet or exceed 2019's numbers and set ambitious goals for the travel portion of our ministry. Unfortunately, we quickly found that due to international restrictions, and airport closures, we would not come close to reaching these goals.

## Trust in God

We wondered how far short of our objectives we would fall in 2020. after many of our activities were halted. How would we carry in Bibles and much needed supplies to Cuba? How could we transport MP3 players to unreached people in SE Asia so they could hear the Gospel message in their own language? Could we maintain our assistance to ministries in Romania and India? All these things weighed heavily on us. We didn't know how we could continue to minister in many cases, but over time we saw how God would provide ways for us to keep reaching out. Now we are sending more Bibles than ever before, while helping feed and care for people in many countries.





### Donations

This year God has provided a greater influx of donated goods for our shipping containers to refugee camps in the Middle East. Our Casper and Billings offices have been blessed with volunteers that have helped to sort these donations. Our Casper office, which never sent more than 2 containers in a year, has sent 4 containers already in 2020! This has been a huge blessing because, while some refugees in Northern Irag are departing IDP camps to return to their war-torn homes, other people are flowing in. The need for clothing, food, medical supplies, and household goods is still as great as ever.

# Refugee Crisis

For many refugee families the supplies are a lifeline. Many had to flee their homes guickly and were unable to bring any of their personal belongings. Living in an IDP or refugee camp consists of very tight guarters for families, an entire family (including immediate and extended) typically fits within 2-3 tents. Some camps are provided with potable water in kitchen areas, but this is considered a luxury. In Northern Irag, warmer clothing is needed as the temperatures can get below freezing. In those cases, the water lines in the camp freeze. Families rely on their kerosene heaters within their tents, and any warm clothing they've been able to obtain, to keep warm and survive. Without the donated items we receive at our warehouses, and the process of sorting and loading, many refugees in the Middle East would not have readily available access to much needed items for their families.

We are grateful to continue ministering to people around the world despite our inability to travel at this time. Our praver is that God would continue working in our ministry to send support to those individuals who have lost family, been forced from their homes, and experienced persecution for their faith. May we always see that God is THE provider, and that He makes a way for His people.





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