

Dear Friends,

"Servant hearted, wholeheartedly."

These are words I use to describe the heart of AFFEO, our international partners, board members, teams, volunteers, and donors like you. Each day I am amazed at the grace, humility, and sacrificial service and gifts given by all to serve the most vulnerable – God's children.

This past year was exceptionally difficult. Households continued to struggle from the economic impact of the pandemic and war; world-wide inflation exacerbated existing financial hardship and disparities. These challenges have consistently been more severe for lower-income families with children. Families struggled to buy household goods, sufficient food for their children, and cover rent or utilities for their home.

However, looking back on the past year, I am in awe of all that the Lord has done, because so many wholeheartedly said "Yes!" to give of their time, talents, and treasure. All gave for the orphan, child, and family when they needed it most.

As a result, over 303,860 children and families were served this past year! 303,860 children and families received tangible help, a message of hope, a path to healing - an expression of God's love for them. For many, this came through the gift of a loving and stable family. Due to the war in Ukraine, children and families have experienced unimaginable brokenness and more trauma than ever before. Because your support has allowed AFFEO to serve in Ukraine since 2010, we were able to respond to their needs on day one of the war.

Our partners have shared that this timely support gave them much needed hope when their world was falling apart. We wholeheartedly believe that AFFEO was positioned and continues to be called to serve in a "time such as this." This would not be possible without you!

Because of you, AFFEO continues to meet critical needs not only in Ukraine, but in eight other nations as well. I am so excited to share this report with you. I hope you are encouraged by the many ways that the lives of orphans and vulnerable children have been positively impacted. May these stories inspire you as we continue this work together to touch many more today, tomorrow, and in generations to come. Thank you!

With a full heart,

Heather Dyer

Heather Dyer Executive Director

"Make me a servant, humble and meek, Lord let me lift up, those who are weak, and may the prayer of my heart always be, make me a servant, make me a servant, make me a servant today."

As a child I sang this song, because I thought it was pretty. As an adult I began to understand how those words were a prayer that spoke to my heart in ways I could not have imagined.

Today, it brings me joy to hear my daughter sing it, and I pass it on to you - to put words to the song in your heart that has been on full display this year.

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