## WELS CHRISTIAN AID AND RELIEF

God has heaped his blessing upon us. We have much for which to be thankful. God's greatest gift to us is salvation through his Son. It is gratitude for God's grace that moves us to reach out to those who are in need and help them with their physical, emotional, and spiritual needs. One way we do this together is through the compassion ministry of WELS Christian Aid and Relief. We assist those in need in three ways: by offering relief for those impacted by natural disasters, by supporting humanitarian aid projects in our WELS mission fields both at home and abroad, and by assisting WELS members who are dealing with extreme medical or financial challenges. Your special gifts provide critical assistance to people who are suffering and help to create opportunities to share the precious gospel of our Savior. Thank you!

> Christian Aid and Relief grant totals for fiscal year 20-21: \$1,445,570



## **CURRENT GRANTS**

**Domestic relief:** In fiscal year 20-21, \$774,766 was utilized for disaster relief, including \$448,881 in pandemic relief. Disaster relief projects were conducted recently in Midland, Michigan; Cedar Rapids, Iowa; and Scroggins, Texas.

**Humanitarian aid:** \$515,789 was approved to provide basic needs for people all over the world. Home and world mission fields receiving humanitarian aid grants include Kenya, Nigeria, Zambia, Indonesia, Vietnam, Albania, Bulgaria, Russia, Ukraine, Mexico, Bangladesh, Nepal, Pakistan, and several home mission congregations.

**Personal grants:** \$275,098 in personal grants was given through our congregations to assist people going through a health or financial crisis.

To learn more, visit wels.net/relief and fb.com/WELSChristianAidandRelief.

If a need arises for humanitarian aid or disaster relief in your area, please contact director Rev. Daniel Sims.

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in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 THESSALONIANS 5:18