



BAPTIST GLOBAL RESPONSE

ANNUAL

REPORT



*“Oh, give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the people! Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works!”
(1 Chronicles 16:8-9)*

2019 was an amazing, wonderful year for which we give thanks to God! Most especially, we thank Him for your partnership in the work and ministry of Baptist Global Response (BGR). Together, we have helped people in need all around the world experience God’s goodness and witness His love in action. This report is our attempt to “make known His deeds,” honoring His glory being manifested to the hurting, homeless, and hopeless.

As you read about the many people and communities who received food, clean water, better health care, and income, we invite you to join us in giving thanks to the Lord! Celebrate with us what He has done through you and your partnership in the work.

As the stories touch your heart and God’s goodness moves your soul, sing praises, and give a word of thanks to Him from whom all blessings flow. And then, we invite you to tell others—your friends, families, and churches—of His wondrous works through our efforts together.

Thank you for making 2019 a year of hope for so many. Thank you for your continuing partnership through BGR into this coming year.

Making a Difference Together...for the good of people and the glory of God!



Jeff Palmer
CEO, Baptist Global Response



Your love made a difference everywhere and every way it went—from a water well to a health clinic to a simple blanket.

In a tiny South Asian village, bitterly cold months are rare, but when they occur, they pose a critical threat to communities without heat sources or insulation. Their threadbare blankets are little resistance to the biting cold infiltrating homes made of corrugated aluminum and bamboo supports.

That’s when you stepped in. You gave generously and sent warm blankets to the village that kept the cold out and ushered the love of God in.

Senior citizens who had been sleeping with only jackets and scarves were finally able to warm their weary bones and get the rest they needed.

A girl who lived on the streets was taken aback to receive a blanket, an act of love, from strangers.

You helped BGR and its partners hand out nearly 2,000 blankets across South Asia in the unforgiving winter months. But more than the warmth and comfort, you showed these people the love of God in action.

The arms of Jesus wrap around all who seek Him. So too can a blanket wrap around the forgotten and the unseen. A blanket can cover broken, tired bodies and weary souls. In its warmth, people are finding a reprieve from their difficult circumstances, while experiencing the love of God that covers us all.

LAST YEAR, YOU SERVED NEARLY **1.3 MILLION** PEOPLE IN BIG WAYS AND SMALL, RESTORING LIVES AND EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES.



 **23,965** blankets distributed

 **330,037** people received clean water

 **31,916** people received agricultural help, including animals and seeds



Hurricane Dorian took nearly everything this woman had—her home, her church, her joy. You helped her reclaim them by joining other BGR donors to give **nearly one million dollars** to the recovery effort. From the rubble, this woman's church was rebuilt; and from the ashes, her faith restored.



"I can now worship in the house of the Lord!"
-Hurricane Dorian Survivor, The Bahamas



It's one thing to provide for those in need. To empower them to provide for themselves is a life-changing gift. You helped **nearly 4,000 participants** graduate from vocational training with marketable skills. Many are now either gainfully employed or have started businesses of their own.



"This training has given me a real opportunity to work in a trade, even more so in an art I love and never thought I'd learn."
-Anthony, South America



In a single day, Ana discovered that she was not stricken with a chronic illness. Instead, her sickness was due to bacteria in the contaminated water she had been drinking—water that you helped to clean with one of the **nearly 13,000 water filters** that were distributed across the globe this year.



"Before my life was miserable...then one day, you showed up with filters."
-Ana, The Caribbean



The violence in their hometown drove Layla and her husband away with practically nothing. Terrified, without a home, possessions, or even a way to feed their family, they were out of options until you stepped in. Your gifts provided food and hope to **more than 300,000 people!**



"Thank you so much for your help! We will never forget this. Even though we're far apart, we're not alone. In Christ, we are one big family."
-Layla, Central Asia



Njeri's stomach pain was so severe she couldn't walk. You helped her reclaim her life by providing the care she needed. Now her debilitating pain is gone! **Over 121,000 people**, just like Njeri, received the healthcare they so desperately needed because of your donations.



"Praise the Lord! Even though I was sick, I am thankful now to be getting better. There are others like me who need help and cannot find any."
-Njeri, Kenya

BGR FINANCIALS

TOTAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

\$5,241,377

TOTAL EXPENSES:

\$4,034,032

As BGR adjusts its fiscal year, these financial figures are for the 9-month fiscal year from January 1, 2019 to September 30, 2019 and are unaudited at time of printing.

FUNDRAISING:

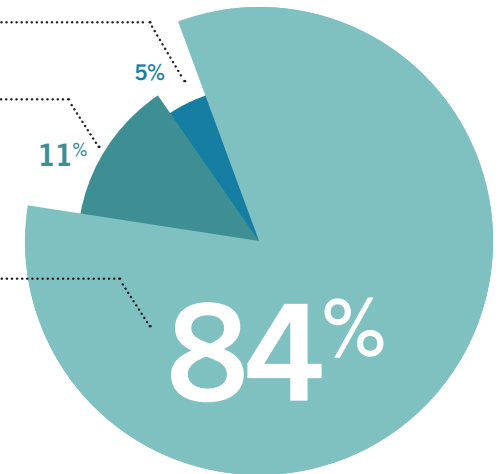
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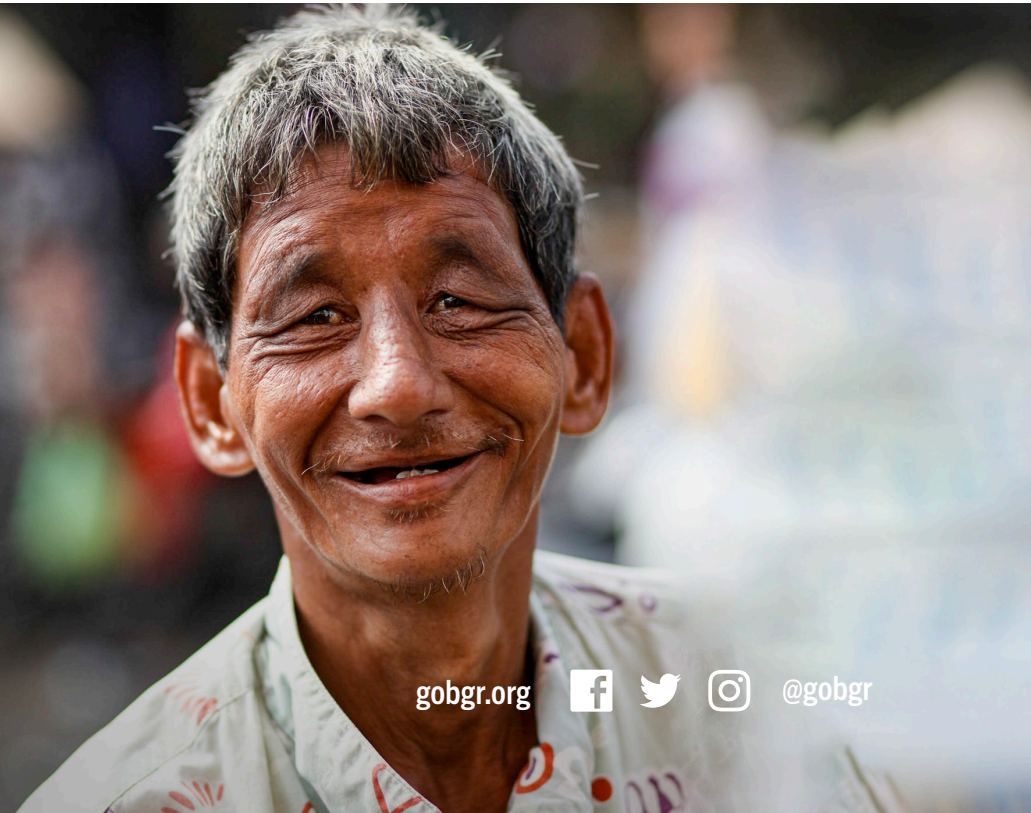
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WHO WE ARE

Baptist Global Response (BGR) connects people in need with people who care. Those in need are widows, orphans, and refugees from all over the world experiencing hunger, poverty, and injustice. They need help, hope, and healing that can be found in acts of kindness and the love of Christ. They are real people with real needs.

You are the people who care. Through BGR, you are bringing food to the hungry, water to the thirsty, comfort to the sick and dying, and hope to the homeless. Because you care, nearly 1.6 million people in almost 4,000 communities were helped last year.



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