



NEW HEIGHTS

 **Beyond** February 2022
the Box

“ I thank my God every time I remember you. ”

Philippians 1:3

We are Grateful for You

We have been inundated this month with thank-you letters that children have written for us. Both they and their parents were so grateful, not just for the boxes, but also for the activities and Bible stories included, that allowed them to spend time having fun as a family. As our families are grateful for us, we are grateful for you. Thank you for making it possible for us to meet some of the physical and spiritual needs of families experiencing the struggle of daily life in Lebanon. We really do thank God for you and for your support.



Developing Relationships



This month we were able to visit our new families for the second time. As we see them more, our relationships with these families develop and both the parents and children feel more open to share their experiences and stories with us. **The children were so excited to show us the Noah's Ark they built from last month's box and to tell the story of Noah back to us.** They were also delighted to see the games in this month's "arcade" box. It is wonderful for us to be able to bring joy, hope, and comfort to these families.

Bringing Comfort

In our last newsletter we mentioned two women we visited who had both lost their husbands. One of these ladies, Sarah*, has three young children. This month, she felt comfortable enough to share her story with us when we visited them. Her husband passed away from a heart attack when she was pregnant with her youngest child. She now lives on her own and is supported by her parents, but her situation is very difficult. As Sarah shared with us, one of our team members spent time listening to and comforting her. **It is a privilege that people trust us enough to share their sufferings as well as their joys with us. Please pray that God would provide for and comfort Sarah and her family.**

Providing Family Fun

There is one family we are visiting who have two teenage girls. Our first visit was quiet and the girls did not really interact with us very much. However, this month was a completely different story. When we visited, the whole family was present: the girls and their parents. **The father was so grateful for the last box that he thanked us profusely, saying that they had been able to work together on the activities as a family. They had spent quality time together without their phones and he was very pleased.**

The girls were also really happy. They laughed and chatted with us, and they told us all that they had learned from the activities. They were also excited about the new box and about the fact they could play the games included with their parents. The mother told us that our activities reminded her of Sunday School and the father was really interested to know what NGO we were from and who we worked with. **It is a privilege to be able to help families spend quality time with each other as they learn about Jesus together.**

(Name has been changed)



This Month

Praise God that:

- He has deepened our relationships with these new families.
- He has continued to provide the items we need for the boxes.
- Our visits and boxes are bringing joy to families.

Please Pray that:

- God would comfort and provide for Sarah and her family and others like them.
- The children would want to know more about Jesus as they complete our activities.
- God would strengthen, protect and help our team members as they serve on this project.

We appreciate your continued prayers and support

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