

or the last 30 years, Venezuela has been in crisis, which has continued to deepen over the last 10 years. Over five million people have chosen to emigrate, and for those who remain, life is increasingly precarious. Hyperinflation has destroyed the value of the local currency. There is a breakdown in public services — water, electricity, gas for vehicles and cooking, public transportation, and medical services. Drugs to treat significant diseases such as diabetes, HIV, and cancer are only available to those who can pay for them, and preventable diseases such as diphtheria, TB, and malaria are making a comeback. The elderly struggle financially as their senior's bonus equals only \$1.50 per month. Many go without food on a daily basis, and the situation has only worsened with the COVID-19 pandemic.

FAIR is responding to the need in Venezuela through the *Lifeline* mini-appeal. In partnership with retired Fellowship International missionaries Bevin and Janie Wray and local church leadership, much needed materials are being shipped from Canada to Venezuela. Because the Venezuelan currency is so devalued, shipments are necessary to maximize the impact

of dollars spent. The goal is to raise \$25,000 to cover the cost of 11 shipments primarily containing donations of dehydrated food, but also hygiene items, medical supplies, and children's shoes. Shipments are received by local church leaders with joy and celebration and distributed among the most needy — the sick, poor, homeless, orphaned, imprisoned, and underserviced.

There is great need in Venezuela, both for the shipped materials and for encouragement and support for the local church leadership. Each shipment is a reminder that believers in other parts of the world are standing with them. Would you prayerfully consider how the Lord is calling you to respond to the *Lifeline* mini-appeal?

Pray for the encouragement and perseverence of local church leaders, many of whom stay despite the hardship because of their love for the church and those they serve. Pray that as physical needs are met through these shipments, that hearts would be open to hearing the Gospel and seeing their spiritual needs met as well.

want to partner with FAIR through the <i>Lifeline</i> mini-appeal. I've prayerfully decided the following:
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Please send receipt to:       Address:

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