

## To Fiona & all Mustard Tree Manchester – THANK YOU from the Ukraine!

Lymm Baptist Church supported a 3 week campaign in the autumn to collect warm clothes, bedding & shoes for displaced people in Eastern Ukraine before their bitter winter set in. The vision caught the imagination of many in our church, our community & beyond, inc. Milnrow Evangelical Church, Mustard Tree Manchester, CoOp Lymm & Sainsbury's Lymm.

It turned out to be a massive project & International Aid Trust (IAT) who kindly agreed to transport the 129 boxes to Ukraine, which was a real "Gift from God."

Transport from Lymm to Kyiv was not without its difficulties, not least dealing with Ukrainian authorities for customs' release, but with the support and knowledge of IAT the goods finally arrived just before Christmas....Hallelujah!

A coffee morning raised over £700 for the purchase of food for Ukrainians seeking refuge at a Christian orphanage outside Kyiv.



Massive thanks to EVERYONE who helped in any way: collecting goods from friends & neighbours, moving bags of clothes, donating money/goods, making cakes, helping at the coffee morning, sorting and packing, donating cardboard boxes, collecting cardboard boxes, making up/labelling boxes, loading the IAT van- or dealing with communications & the transportation of the boxes to the Ukraine. These goods will have made a huge difference to a large number of displaced Christian families in Ukraine. Enormous thanks also goes to IAT for the vital part they played to make this project possible.

**Reports from there said we had sent "WONDERFUL stuff" & "I hope that you are encouraged knowing that your support is being used to bless others by tangibly sharing God's love in practical ways with those in need."**