

Newsletter: Jan, 2012

Our final production figure for the year 2011 is 340 barrels of soup mix (340 barrels x 60 bags per barrel x 100 servings per bag) which equates to 2,040,000 servings of soup. 160 barrels will fill a container so we have enough for 2 containers plus. We also have 13 barrels of apples.

We had hoped for some donations of beans, peas or lentils from the prairies which would have increased our production significantly. If you have friends or relatives on the prairies, please share this need as we would gratefully receive some of that product which would make a well rounded soup mix.

In July of 2011 our biggest shipment of food (a 40' container) went with a group called Mission Without Borders to a little country next to the Ukraine called Moldova.

I have just received from them pictures and heart-felt thank you letters from some of the 100 families that the Gleaners food helped to feed this winter. Display boards have been made up with the pictures and letters, one in the coffee room at the plant and another at the Gleaners store.

Please take some time to look at this display. It is this that makes this whole process so worthwhile.