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**AGENDA ITEM 5A.: PRESENTATION – AARON ASHOFF, DEPUTY DIRECTOR
OF INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS, SAMARITAN’S PURSE**

Background:



Aaron Ashoff serves as the Deputy Director of International Projects at Samaritan’s Purse, bringing nearly two decades of experience leading humanitarian operations and crisis response efforts around the world.

A former U.S. Army officer and Bronze Star Medal recipient for his service during Operation Iraqi Freedom, Aaron joined Samaritan’s Purse in 2008. Throughout his tenure, he has led and supported humanitarian responses in both high-threat and complex international environments, including serving on the 2014 Ebola Task Force in Liberia and participating in the 2017 emergency trauma hospital deployment during the Battle of Mosul.

Aaron has also served as Regional Director for West Africa, Europe, and the Middle East, providing him with extensive experience coordinating humanitarian assistance across diverse cultures, governments, and challenging operational environments.

He holds a Master’s degree in International Development from the University of Pittsburgh and continues to bring his leadership, international experience, and commitment to humanitarian service to the global mission of Samaritan’s Purse.

Aaron Ashoff

Deputy Director
International Projects

Ministry Overview

- Founded by Bob Pierce in 1970.
- In 1979, Franklin Graham became president.
- Headquartered in Boone, North Carolina.
- International offices in Canada, the U.K., Australia, Germany, and South Korea.
- International field offices in 18 countries, and ministry partners in more than 100 countries.



BOB PIERCE AND FRANKLIN GRAHAM, 1978

Mission Statement

Samaritan's Purse is a nondenominational evangelical Christian organization providing spiritual and physical aid to hurting people around the world. Since 1970, Samaritan's Purse has helped meet needs of people who are victims of war, poverty, natural disasters, disease, and famine with the purpose of sharing God's love through His Son, Jesus Christ. The organization serves the Church worldwide to promote the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.





35,000
Households

3,240
DART Roster
Members

2,708
Field Staff

26
Aircraft

6
Emergency Field
Hospitals

18
Field Offices



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Global Preparedness



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Lebanon



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Saipan



Democratic Republic of the Congo



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Venezuela



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Colombia



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Nepal

Venezuela Shelter Program

- On June 24, two 7.2+ earthquakes hit the coast.
- Many civilians are living on the streets.
- Santa Barbara cargo vessel carried lumber for 3,500 temporary shelters from SeaPort Manatee Port.



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Questions?
