## Operation Blessing International Team Feeds Thousands Of Displaced Christians In Iraq

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA (September 17, 2014) – Operation Blessing International, one of the largest charities in America, began relief operations in the city of Erbil, Iraq today, helping thousands of Christians that have been displaced and are living in tent camps, churches and abandoned buildings.

Under the direction of David Darg, vice president of international operations for Operation Blessing International, a team of volunteers distributed food staples today including rice, cooking oil, noodles, salt, sugar, tea, beans, lentils, tomato paste and powdered milk.

Today, the team also served a camp of 2,000 displaced Christians with fresh foods including eggs, yogurt and cheese.

Over the next several days, Operation Blessing International will deliver stoves, blankets, diapers and truckloads of more food supplies to camps in and around Erbil.

"These Iraqi Christians are some of the most beautiful and loving people I have ever met," said Darg. "They have gone through unimaginable persecution are now living in very tough conditions. For Operation Blessing to be here providing them food and essential relief supplies and letting them know they are not alone is such a privilege."

For more information on Operation Blessing International please visit www.ob.org.

## ABOUT OPERATION BLESSING INTERNATIONAL:

Operation Blessing International (OBI) is one of the largest charities in America, providing strategic disaster relief, medical aid, hunger relief, clean water and community development in 23 countries around the world on a daily basis. Currently, Forbes ranks OBI as one of its "100 Largest Charities" with an efficiency rating of 99%, and Consumers Digest also named OBI as one of "America's Top Charities" in 2012. Founded in 1978, Operation Blessing International has touched the lives of more than 255 million people in more than 105 countries and 50 states, providing goods and services valued at over \$3.3 billion to date.

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