

NARA MELKONYAN
COUNTRY DIRECTOR

WAYS TO HELP

Humanitarian
Goods Collection:
September 24-28

Priority Items

- Children's Clothing (ages from 0 to 17)
- New Shoes for all ages
- Food
- Hygiene Supplies
- School Supplies
- Blankets and Bedding
- Medical Supplies
- Mattresses
- Chairs, Tables

Contact your Church mission chair for more information

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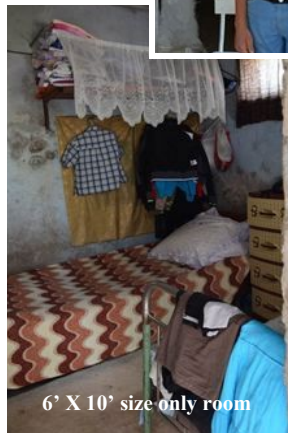
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HOUSE RENOVATION PROJECT 2013

Kashatagh is one of the eight provinces of Nagorno-Karabagh Republic or, shortly, historical Artsakh. The living conditions in Kashatagh continue to stay the harshest. There are still many families living in the ruined buildings somehow fixed to provide the minimum conditions for living in them, but the conditions of the majority of those houses can hardly be defined as shelters suitable for human beings... Here are stories of some families that can be potential beneficiary families for 2013 House Renovation Project. All live in awful conditions. Lusine Abovyan's family - a couple with three sons, lives in a small one room, which was actually a bathroom before. The size of the only room, which is bedroom, dining



ning room and kitchen, three-in-one, is about 6'X10'. During summer time they use

the ruined area of garage to cook and eat, but in winter everything is limited to that one tiny room.

The other house belongs to Artur Movsesyan's family. When the AGAPE staff went to assess the house again, Artur told that this used to be a barn before, but they adjusted



it somehow to live in it. They have three children and all three were born in this house, lived and continue to live in those awful conditions. The youngest is almost three years old. The tin of the roof is rusted, when it rains they have to put pots everywhere not to let the rain-water flood the house. There are numerous holes in the walls and ground, which make the house cold during winter time and open doors for snakes and scorpions during the hot weather. There are no glasses on the windows, only plastic sheets. Artur is a musician, plays on keyboard and accordion. He has always been very supportive of AGAPE's cultural events organized for the children of the region during the Holy Season and other times. "This is the only way, that I can

express my gratitude and "pay back" a little bit to Project AGAPE, as throughout this years AGAPE was the only supporter and helper of my family, giving us hope and confidence in the future."

Message from the AGAPE Board

Project AGAPE is making a difference in the lives of thousands of people in Armenia and Karabagh. We are the only organized group serving in this Karabagh region. United Methodists from across North Carolina continue to support our brothers and sisters helping to meet needs of food,

medical care, clothing and Christian education. The economy continues to struggle with 60% unemployment where folks just try to exist from day to day. YOU provide hope in this day to day struggle.

Please continue your support and share this need in your

church. Your financial contributions are vital to Project AGAPE's ministry. If you are not a member of the Fellowship of 1000, please join today. It only takes a gift of \$100.00 per year to be part of making people like Lusine Abovyan and Artur Movsesyan, who are less fortunate, happier.

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