

# TAJIKISTAN PROGRESS

Most are totally unaware of the nation of Tajikistan. Within the past few years some of you have become familiar with this nation because of our efforts in sending benevolence aid. Tajikistan is a nation that is +90% Muslim. It is located in Central Asia and was one of the USSR's poorest satellites. It has been ravaged by civil wars that decimated the male population and destroyed the infrastructure. It has been an ally to the USA in the Afghanistan War by furnishing land for our troop support services. The war in Afghanistan provided an opportunity to enter Tajikistan and help the nation. Progress has been evident. The capitol city, Dushanbe, used to be a no-man's land and life was in danger even in the brightest daylight hours because anarchy ruled. Our involvement started in 2004 with a request to send hospital beds into Dushanbe. Since then we have been involved on a regular basis sending containers from Judsonia, AR, Elizabethtown, KY, and Montgomery, AL. Below are on-going reports on the distribution and impact of these containers. In early February I was informed that a warehouse in Ft. Collins, CO was being closed and was offered the contents to ship overseas. From this we are shipping two containers to Tajikistan and one container to Kramatorsk, UA.

—John L. Kachelman, Jr.

From: Firuza Nasimova  
Sent: Sunday, March 02, 2008 10:45 PM  
Subject: Re: FW: Containers to Tajikistan

Thanks, we are doing well. With first day of the spring we—in Dushanbe—got electricity that is great!!! Winter was terrible, but... we are still life. Mavjuda has not electricity in her office—she is coming 2 time in a week and working in our office. She took money and as I know already procured materials for mattresses—her work-shop will start making John's mattresses as soon as will get electrical power. She sent brief info to John—seems they are working very close and understand each other. Our guys sending greetings to you!!! Furkat and Orif are joking—maybe you will come to TI from Bishkek for couple of days to have a rest...????  
Bests, Firuza



From: Mavjuda Khakimiva  
Sent: Friday, February 29, 2008 4:18 AM  
To: John L. Kachelman, Jr.  
Subject: Munis Photo



Dear John,  
Hope that everithing is ok with you.  
Regarding these two containers we will be glad to receive such commodity. As you know that the winter was terrible in our country (lack of gas, electricity). I would be ready to distriburte assisatnce and support to people of Tajikistan. Please find attached the photos made



during the distribution of humanitarian aid in kind of clothing, footwear and infants needs sent by you. The humanitarian aid was distributed amongst children/orphans during the cold wintertime. Thank you very much and best regards. Yours truly, Mavjuda

