#### River of Life

# **VOLUNTEERISM GUIDE**



#### WAYS TO BE A DIFFERENCE MAKER

As you've learned, Korea stands as the **only** divided nation on Earth.

South and North Korea have walked vastly different paths of communism and liberal democracy for 70+ years, resulting in vastly different outcomes. North Korea has become one of the poorest countries globally with the most abusive human right...while South Korea has emerged as one of the top 10 economic powers in the world.



The citizens of the North Korea totalitarian state face chronic food shortages with severe famine and starvation; through a failed plan, North Korea's economy barely functions, and its people greatly suffer.

As North Korea faces immense challenges to include poverty,

increased drug use, lack of healthcare and a staggering fourfold rise in suicide rates; its citizens endure loss, despair and hopelessness.

#### WAYS TO VOLUNTEER

### 1) HELP THANK OUR DONORS

While the **River of Life** nonprofit organization makes a BIG difference, the staff is extremely SMALL. In the spirit of stewardship and donor appreciation, you can assist key leaders by writing a short <u>thank you note</u>

to difference-making donors who make financial contributions to this impactful ministry. Contact us at <a href="mailto:info@riveroflife.org">info@riveroflife.org</a> and communicate your willingness to help!

#### 2) HELP CONNECT US TO CHURCHES

In late 2024, our **River of Life** founder presented the ministry's challenges, solutions, impact (case studies) and involvement opportunities at churches from San Diego to Chicago to the Carolinas. If you can connect this impactful organization to an awesome church, then please do so!

Through a branded presentation, a **River of Life** leader (or **YOU** with the right training and resources) can convey how North Korea is considered by many to be the **world's worst persecutor of Christians**. Religious freedom is not permitted, and exposure to Christianity can lead to imprisonment or execution under this terrifying regime. Contact us at <a href="mailto:info@riveroflife.org">info@riveroflife.org</a> and communicate your willingness to help!

## 3) SET UP A PRAYER GROUP



The collapse of the market economy since 1995 has plunged 25 million people into horrendous suffering.

And worse – open believe of the Christian religion is unlawful and heavily punished. If North Korean believers are discovered, they are sent to one of the country's notorious labor

camps, tortured, or sometimes killed. Tens of thousands of Christians are currently held in these labor camps.

Contact us at <u>info@riveroflife.org</u> and communicate your willingness to help! And feel free to download the free prayer guide via our dedicated site <u>lovenorthkorea.org</u>.

### 4) HOST A GATHERING

Otherwise known as a 'House Party', these easy gathering last about an hour but the impact can be **incredible**. In short, you can invite friends, family, loved ones, colleagues, fellow humanitarians...and share the story of **River of Life's** ministry. The branded presentation (downloaded free from the site) makes story telling easy and impactful. At the end of the :20 -



:30-minute presentation, you can invite people to get involved (e.g., donate, volunteer, pray...) via **River of Life's** digital assets. **Simple!** 

Contact us at <u>info@riveroflife.org</u> and communicate your willingness to help! And see our <u>best practice guideline</u> for House Parties [hosting a GATHERING] and being a difference maker.

#### 5) CONNECT US TO RESOURCES

**River of Life's** has a proven and impactful four-part plan to positively impact lives.

If you have an idea of how to connect our leaders to life-changing resources -- contributions, medical supplies, phones, USB thumb drives, chargers, campaign drives and/or philanthropic support -- contact us at <a href="mailto:info@riveroflife.org">info@riveroflife.org</a> and share your ideas, plans and initiatives. Thank you in advance for being a difference maker.



River of Life is dedicated to serve North Korean defectors and aiding the families of defectors still living in North Korea. We do not collaborate with the North Korean government in any way. **River of Life's FOUR STEP platform** focuses on Family Support, Phones & Digital Assets, Medical Outreach, and Small Business Micro Loans and Consultation.

#### JOIN THE MISSION

Life isn't just part of our name; it represents the organization's mantra: **saving lives**. And we mean that physically, emotionally and spiritually.

River of Life is funded by individuals, foundations, and corporations who want to do more than simply make a charitable gift to a worthy cause. Our campaigns specifically reach/serve/evangelize the greatly oppressed individuals in North Korea - one of the poorest and most human rights-abusing countries globally.



Over the next year, your philanthropic funds allow volunteers to risk their life while implementing our proven FOUR STEP plan delivering life sustaining funds, modest resources (e.g., phones, USB drives), medical supplies and hope to those greatly suffering under a tyrannical regime.

And centered in these deliverables is Jesus's central message summarized as "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel". (Mark 1:15)

As our North Korea friends are hungry, we know they will be satiated with spiritual fulfillment. For Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty". (John 6:35)

Now is your opportunity to permanently leave your mark on this life changing ministry.

Join us.