

Situation

It is early summer. The Second Korean War is sputtering to a close. North Korea has lost. Supreme Leader Kim Jong Un has fled Pyongyang and his location is unknown. Chinese PLA forces occupy territory in the northern part of North Korea; the ROK-US Alliance forces occupy a southern swath of territory from the Korea Bay on the west to the Sea of Japan on the east. Pyongyang is invested by ROK forces and has yet to surrender. There is a strip of land between Chinese and ROK-US Allies that remains uncontrolled, although U.S. and Republic of Korea forces are active in this zone attempting to bring security and stability to the population there.



Things are chaotic. Food, water, medicine, fuel, animal feed and seed stocks are in short supply or non-existent. The power grid is beyond repair and power is available only in those areas close to generators, and even then its availability is sketchy. People cling to their home villages. A few farmers make feeble attempts to plant crops. The threat of widespread famine looms over the devastated countryside.

Only in the port cities on the east coast is there a sign of relief, where foreign aid vessels are able to dock and unload desperately needed cargo. But it is not enough and distribution limited by poor transportation networks and lack of vehicles.

Your Role

You are a Christian Chinese citizen of Korean heritage. You work in construction as a primary job, but you and your wife and two adult sons (also construction workers) run an orphanage near the North Korean border. Over the years the orphanage has also been a safe house and way station for NK refugees. Built to house 30 children and five adults, the orphanage is now refuge to 80 North Korean civilians who have fled the ravages of war in their (former) country.



Korean-Chinese Christian in Yanbian Prefecture, Jilin Province, China

There has been high demand by the authorities in Yanbian Prefecture for your carpentry skills since the war began. Most of your work has focused on improving buildings and facilities at a nearby refugee holding facility, originally started before the war began. The facility has a dual purpose as a headquarters for Chinese PLA soldiers moved into the frontier region as hostilities began. You labor at this camp six days a week.

On your day off a man appears in the courtyard of the orphanage asking for food. He then reveals that he has fled North Korea along with 200 other refugees who are hiding out in nearby hills and forests. They need food, medical



care and shelter. Your stocks of these items are severely limited. The Chinese authorities have not visited the orphanage in nearly two months, but now your eldest son comes running up out of breath and warns of a Chinese military convoy heading toward your location.

Your Challenge

You feel obligated to ensure the safety and wellbeing of those North Korean refugees in your care, and are concerned about the new comers hiding in the nearby hills.

List the options you have at this point. Describe the long-term consequences of each.