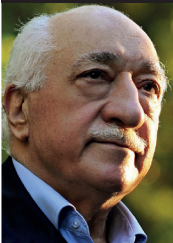


What is Kimse Yok Mu?



Aug 17, 1999: Turkey's İzmit earthquake (*centre*) claims more than 17,000 lives. Turkish volunteers respond to cries of **"Kimse Yok Mu?"** – **"Is Anybody Out There?"** from beneath rubble. Disaster eventually leads to foundation of emergency relief charity **Kimse Yok Mu (KYM)**

2004: KYM recognised as not-for-profit non-governmental organisation (NGO), linked to **Fethullah Gulen** (*left*) – Turkish imam exiled in U.S. KYM helps in tsunami-hit Indonesia



2005: Charity organises its largest disaster relief campaign following Afghan-Pakistan earthquake

2006: Launches **Ramadan Tents** in impoverished areas of Turkish cities. Every evening during holy month of Ramadan anyone can break their fast with free communal meal

2007 onwards: Extends aid campaigns to Palestine's West Bank. Operations now cover Bangladesh, Darfur, Gaza, Georgia-Ossetia, Haiti, Kenya, Lebanon, Myanmar and Peru

2008: Fethullah Gulen obtains U.S. residency

2011: KYM founds Deva Hospital in Somalia's capital, Mogadishu

2013: KYM volunteers travel to Philippines in aftermath of Typhoon Haiyan

2014: KYM works with United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) to assist Syrian refugees in Turkey. **Cabinet of newly elected President Recep Tayyip Erdogan** (*right*) bans KYM from collecting donations in Turkey

2016: KYM has more than 200,000 volunteers in 113 countries

Jul: Following attempted coup in Turkey, Erdogan cracks down on **Gulenists** – believed to be behind failed putsch. **Kimse Yok Mu's headquarters in Istanbul forcibly closed.** Turkey formally requests Gulen's extradition



Aug: Under pressure from Erdogan administration, Somali government shuts down Deva Hospital. Kyrgyzstan asked to close network of 30 Gulen-linked schools, and university