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With Thankful Hearts

As Paul wrote to the Thessalonians, we write to you, "We always thank God for all of you, mentioning you in our prayers." You have played a major role in providing shelter, food, education, health care, and the Gospel to thousands of orphans and destitute children and supporting other outreach programs and missionaries since the inception of Children of Promise. At this special time of Thanksgiving, and every day of the year, we say "thank you so much for caring and fulfilling James 1:27 through our mission!"

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Words of THANKS from those you support



Giving Thanks at Calvary Home

Since 2005, November 8 has been set aside as a day of celebration at Calvary Home located in the Nellore District of Andhra Pradesh, India. In 1989, it was on November 8 that the sky turned bright red and tragedy struck as a massive cyclone destroyed home structures, killed 4 children and pinned the director of the home under heavy fallen walls. It was that night the son of the director, Suresh Babu, and his wife began petitioning God to make it possible for them to construct a big concrete building to insure the safety of the children. Since 1993, Suresh and his wife have been the home directors, sharing their parental love with 30 children of the home. In 2001, God began to answer their prayer. He used the Kenneth Zorn family of Canada to contribute the finances to see the concrete home to its completion. On November 8, 2005, the sky once again took on a brilliant red color, but Suresh was filled with joy because the children were sleeping safely in the new strong building. This year the home is complete and furnished—in the memory of Kenneth & Eileen Zorn. The Calvary Home family is grateful to God and them forever.



Dear Sponsors,

At this blessed Thanksgiving and coming Christmas season, may you know what a true blessing you are to all of us at Hogar de Vida in Costa Rica. From the newest, youngest baby to the oldest staff person, we thank you with all our hearts. The ministry the Lord accomplishes through us is because of your faithful and generous giving. As you have given, may the Lord abundantly give back to you.

Blessings,
Tim & Dena Stromstad and family and Barbi Kofski
Missionaries—Costa Rica and Guatemala

Our dear brothers & sisters united to help desolate children,

We thank the Lord for you and all that God has done through you all. You all are a blessing and we couldn't help all the 56 children we now have without you. May you have a wonderful time at Thanksgiving just seeing all that God has done. Have a great and Merry Christmas too!

God bless you,
Tyler & Connie Youngkin
Missionaries
Tijuana, Mexico

All the children at El Pozo and El Pozito are now in their new home—The Purple Palace

Thank you so much for your love, prayers, and faithful support during the years. Without your support we will not have a fruitful ministry. May God bless you and yours richly. Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year.

Love and prayers,
Roger Lai — Asia

Dear Friends of the COPI Family,

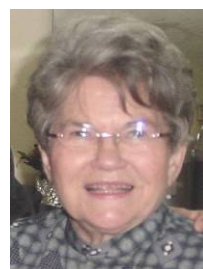
I send, with deep appreciation, a heartfelt thank you to all that have prayed for me throughout the year and during my recovery from surgery. The doctor has recently given me the release that enables me to return to the Field. I give God the glory and you the thanks for the prayers and encouragement during this time. I can dare say that I have been "chomping at the bit" to go, waiting for my blood chemicals to stabilize after the blood clots. I have set my departure date for the middle of December. I am grateful for all your help so that I will be "home" for Christmas. May God recompense you for your faithfulness of the commitment to pray.

Blessings, Barb Decker — Venezuela



A blessed Thanksgiving and Christmas season, and a Great New Year to you and yours. I thank you from my heart for all the help you have been to me over this past year and the other years, too. I continue to enjoy doing what I have been called to do—TEACH. A lady who struggled with ancestor worship all the past ...maybe 13 years (that I have known her) has finally truly received the Lord Jesus. She just wrote and handed me a note saying: "Dearest Kramer, I finally have peace which I have never had. I now can pray to Jesus Christ and find what I have missed for about 50 yrs." These are things that give me zest for living and doing and praising. Jesus thanks you and I thank you.

Hallelujah. Doris Kramer — Asia



Mission teams serve a vital role in providing on-hands help for our homes and the community of the homes. We are very blessed by all who have gone on the Children of Promise mission field.

Just back from Haiti is a team of one pastor, two doctors and three willing servants. From October 28 to November 4, Pastor Richard Rudowske, Dr. Brian Tansky, Dr. Del Wilson, Cheryl Tansky (Brian's sister), and Val and Wilson Cohoon conducted a five-day medical clinic—treating approximately 512 for various ailments—and loving on the children. A special thank you to this team and all of the teams who have given so much!

Haiti

Waiting for medical care.



Year-End Giving

— an expression of thanks to God

"...This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God...men will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else... 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

A charitable gift

- is from the heart—full of kindness and generosity so that the lives of others are given the opportunity to survive and thrive.
- can change the future of nations through the children you help today.

Thank you for helping me & others like me!

A charitable gift to Children of Promise will benefit YOU . . . fulfilling your desire to help those in need and minimizing your tax liability.

WAYS TO GIVE

- Cash Gifts** by EFT, Credit Card or check (postmarked by December 31st).
- Gifts in Kind** from business inventories to reduce business tax liability.
- Used Vehicles** for a tax deduction of the sale price.
- Appreciated Stock** reducing or avoiding capital gains taxes
- Charitable Gift Annuity**
- Charitable Gift Planning**

On August 17, 2006, President Bush signed into law the Pension Protection Act of 2006, which includes a provision permitting charitable rollovers from IRAs. For the remainder of this year, and also throughout 2007, under this new legislation, individuals age 70 ½ can now make tax deductible gifts to Children of Promise International directly from their IRA accounts without triggering any federal or state income taxes. Consult your personal tax and financial advisor for more information.

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Cleaning House Special!

We have a supply of books in our storage room which we are liquidating. Your donation of \$1.00 each plus handling and Shipping will help meet Children of Promise ministry needs while making great Christmas presents or stocking stuffers.

All About Me — Get to know those you love through this book—what their favorite things are and other personal information. Children, parents, friends etc. write their own book about themselves. (\$1 plus S/H \$.90 each)

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