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Petrica Toi

Children of Promise and our partners offer the children God places in our arms *opportunity*. In 1999 The Pentecostal Union of the Republic of Moldova (PURM), The Horizons Foundation and Children of Promise International joined together in securing a 10-home vacated communist campground on which PURM initiated a children's home program. This year the last home was renovated and put into use.

While renovating and building the physical properties, PURM was busy meeting physical needs of the children, providing them with an education in their Christian School, teaching them about the love of Jesus, and building their faith in God.

Seeing the children grow and mature, Doru Cirdei, President of The Pentecostal Union of the Republic of Moldova and a houseparent in one of the homes, began to envision and desire to see the children graduate from their Christian School and continue their studies in the University. Today, that vision and desire has become a reality. Petrica Toi, an orphan and former bagger on the streets of Chisinau, Moldova has been admitted at the National College of General Medicine of Moldova. It has always been Petrica's dream to be a doctor. In Moldova doctors salaries are approximately \$50 per month, yet he has a heart to help others and make them well. Petrica is believing, in faith, that the provisions for his college studies will be met so that he can fulfill the purposes of God for his life.

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.

From Roger Lai— Recently in a province of Southeast China 50 church leaders were arrested and charged with unlawfully building a church. The old one was too dangerous to be used. The government tore down the almost finished building. Please pray China will be opened for the Gospel to be spread more freely.

Children— From Abduction Into the Army to Following Jesus

Hitler took young impressionable youth and taught them to hate and murder the Jews and Christians. The radical Islamic are aggressively training their children from toddler on up to hate. They memorize and recite poetry about death to the Jews, the Christians, and the Americans. Orphaned children in Southeast Asia are being abducted daily into the army and we hear of children in third world countries fighting in wars.



Our partners, in Southeast Asia, have rescued 130 such children and are giving them opportunity to learn about the love of Jesus Christ.

Earlier this year, one of the children in the home was very sick and nearing death. The other children were sure of this because of the many times they had seen other children get this sick and die while in the army. The children from one of their

nearby orphanages, who have become Christians, came and prayed for the boy. After several days, they were advised by medical professionals how to treat the child and were able to purchase medicine from a neighboring country. In a day the prayer and medicine brought improvement in the boy. Three days later he was almost normal. The children at the home were ecstatic that the prayers for their playmate helped him and he did not die like they expected. Nearly 75 children in the home decided they wanted to follow Jesus after that incident!

This home is lacking basic furniture— dressers, chairs, and tables—but the children are happy and find contentment where they are loved and nourished.

(The names of the partners and exact location is withheld to protect the program and children.)