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## Best Laid Plans

There are times when it is not a simple thing to benefit others. What in theory and idea seems easy to do can become complicated and stressful when plans made are not the same as plans achieved. This has been our experience over the last year as we've attempted to send a shipping container to the Patmos Children's village in the DR Congo.

This village is tucked away on the Island of Idjwi where the children have a safe haven far removed from civil war and strife. However, because of its remote location and the hardships experienced in the DR Congo, basic supplies and necessities are difficult to obtain. There just isn't a local Walmart or supermarket from which to purchase all that the children need.

We successfully sent a container to the DR Congo in the past and counted on the generosity of ICC supporters to make another shipment possible. While the idea was simple enough, and you, our faithful supporters, came through in fine fashion, this particular shipment became



Container is anointed as ICC team gathers in prayer.

an exercise in patience and perseverance. Things such as meeting foreign customs regulations and the availability of containers became hurdles which took weeks and even months to overcome.

Once we were able to rent a container and secure its berth aboard a vessel, the weather itself became a factor. This delayed delivery of the container to our office in Vancouver, WA. With all the delays and challenges with this container, we started to say, "Okay, what's next?"

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## PLEASE SPONSOR ME!

I need a sponsor. I am 4 years old and live in Congo. Please return this coupon to sponsor me each month. God bless you for helping me have a chance.

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# *A Personal Note*

## *One Life Impacted by Your Life*

Dear ICC Family,

Teresa came to the Fuente de Vida children's village in Nicaragua with her sister and brother when she was nine years old. Her alcoholic father mistreated her and her siblings. He never seemed to care at all. When Teresa's mother died of cancer the children seemed completely abandoned. But God was looking out for them. With the help of generous donors like you, Teresa's life of pain and uncertain future changed. Now she has love and hope as she has grown into a lovely, well-educated young lady.

What a testament to your financial sacrifice! The kids need you so very much, and you truly do make a difference.

Recently, Teresa reached a special milestone as the first ICC child in Nicaragua to graduate from university. She thanks you so much for the love and support she received through the years. Oh, how I hope more children will also be helped in this way! Can you imagine the result if there were a hundred sponsors for every one that we have today?

She wants to share this thought with you right now:

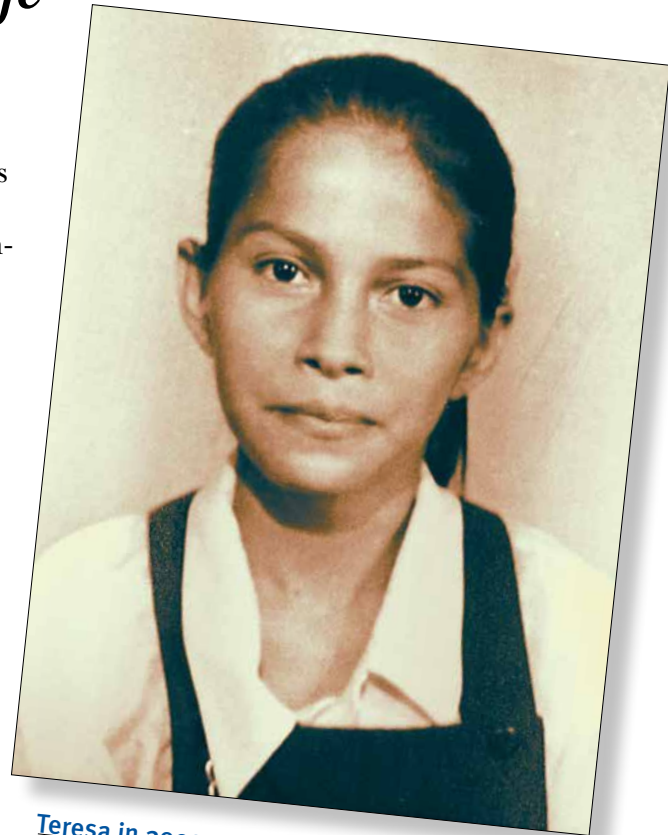
Dear ICC,

It is an honor for me to write this letter to you so that I can express my sincere gratitude.

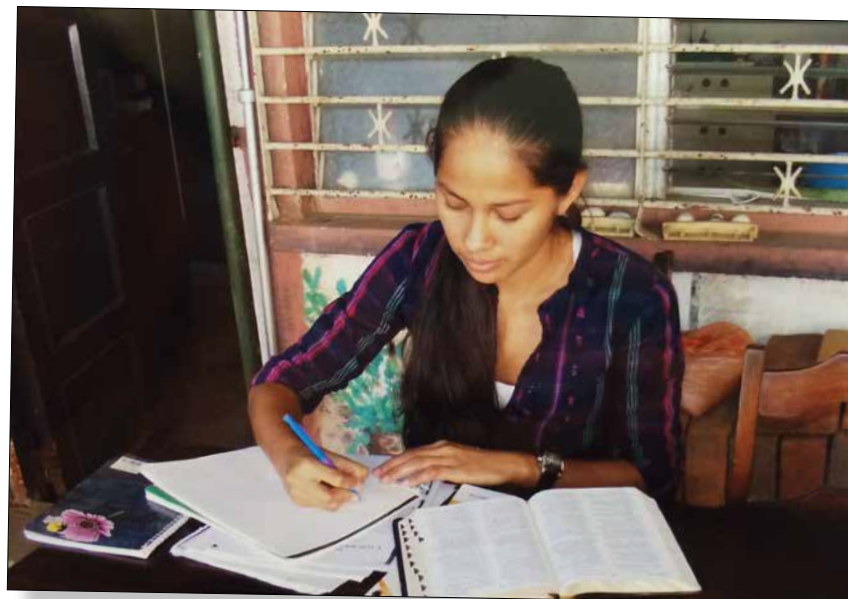
I am Teresa del Carmen García González. When I was 9 my mother died, and my younger siblings and I received care and protection in the Nicaragua ICC Children's Village.

Now I am 21, and I finished my university studies in business administration. In this children's village I not only got an academic preparation, but spiritual preparation. They taught me that God does not leave orphans by themselves and abandoned. I learned the true meaning of life, that God allows tragedies in our lives because He is preparing us for a better home. To be helped by people who never knew me is a miracle of God in my life, for which I will always be very grateful and I will always remember it.

To grow up in this children's village made a difference in my life. I can assure you that none of this would have been achieved if it hadn't been for your great support. I'm sure your reward will be very great in Heaven.



Teresa in 2002



Teresa hard at work studying in 2012

# Living by the Word

Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. *Phil 2:4 (ESV)*

Thanks so much for your great effort. You have truly changed lives around the world. I feel very thankful to have been one of those lives. I can enjoy a better life with better opportunities in life.

May the Lord pour out many blessings over your homes.

A child of ICC greets you gratefully,  
Teresa del Carmen García González



Graduation Day!

What a testimony! Isn't it wonderful to see the results when we sacrifice for others? What is our Mission? It is to **Rescue** Children from Desperate Circumstances. But it doesn't stop there. After the **Rescue**, our mission shifts to **Restoration**. That can take a long time – the restoration of a child's life. It takes patience. But we see the precious fruit of this mission in Teresa's glowing smile – the smile of a transformed life. Doesn't it thrill your heart to see God in action?

Whether you sponsor a child or are thinking about it, Teresa says it well, "Thanks so much for your great effort. You have truly changed lives around the world."

God has given us the ability to help change lives. Please take this moment to join with your support, because the need is so great. I just learned that eleven new children joined the DEWS Sweet Home in India and another nine new children arrived at the El Oasis Children's Village in Mexico.

These children have been **Rescued**. Now we urgently need you to join in the work of **Restoration**. Please call Alanna today at 800-422-7729 (ICC-PRAY) for more details about these children. The children say THANK YOU! for caring and sharing your life with them.

In His Service,

Rick Fleck  
President

P.S. Teresa is grateful that she has experienced a transformed life. For as little as a dollar a day, you can help to support another child who urgently needs loving care. **Rescued** children are waiting to hear the exciting news that they have a sponsor - someone who will care for them and provide for them. Call today and join the mission of **restoration**.



# Best Laid Plans

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However, though we were challenged, we didn't give up. We realized that many of you had worked very hard to provide the precious cargo.

Once the container arrived, our preparation paid off. The ICC team loaded it in just two days. We met the shipping deadline and, as you read this, the container is on its way to the Patmos Children's Village.

Wouldn't you love to be there when those big doors swing open and the supplies are unloaded? No doubt the children will sing and dance and shout for joy when they see all the wonderful supplies you have sent them. We look forward to receiving a report and pictures that we can share with you in the near future.

On behalf of the children, we say thank you to all who prayed for and contributed to this container—whether with funds or by donating items. Your involvement helps to meet the needs of the children. That appears to be one of heaven's "best laid plans," for as we do unto the "least of these," we are doing it as unto God Himself.



# Memorials

**Marjorie Ackley**

By Ms. Evangeline L. Chinn

**Dorothy Akerman**

By Mr. and Mrs. Olav Hoyven

**Shari Booth**

By Mrs. Marsha Booth

**Pearl J. Brown**

By Mr. and Mrs. Melvin D. Dorin

**Muriel V. Byers**

By Dr. LeRoy V. Byers

**Dr. Jim Carlson**

By Mr. and Mrs. Jim Culpepper

**Florence Crisp**

By Ms. Melva N. Darnell

**Kenneth Fleck**

By Ms. Kathy Mosesian

**Ken Hamilton**

By Mrs. Verna Hamilton

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By Mr. Ralph Joslin

**Eugene H. Krause**

By Mr. & Mrs. James Snyder

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By Mrs. Dorothy Holm

**Mr. Kwan**

By Ms. Linda Kwan

**Lucile Lewis**

By Mrs. Karen Lewis

**Edith Lind**

By Ms. Melva N. Darnell

**Bobbie Montgomery**

By Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd V. Peterson

**Melvin Nelson**

Mr. Charles Winn

**Jakeb Jessie Norton**

By Mrs. Judith Peters

**Pansy Ruddle**

By Mr. Francis Ruddle

**Jere Patzer**

By Mrs. Susan Patzer

**Joyce Peterson**

By Elder & Mrs. Robert Cowan

**Kenny Rambo**

By Mr. & Mrs. Don Wysong

**Dolores M. Reed**

By Mr. F. Terry Reed

**Richard Reeves**

By Mr. & Mrs. Don Wysong

**Norene Regester**

By Dr. W.D. Regester

**Wilfred Reyna**

By Mr. and Mrs. Burton D. Maxwell

Paradise Valley Hospital

Mr. and Mrs. Donald L. Stricker

**Don Schafer**

By Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Myers

**Doris Grundset Schaller**

By Esther G. Kerr

**Darlene Schmitz**

By Mr. & Mrs. Don Wysong

**Ed Schneider**

By Mrs. Winifred Schneider

**Gary Schultz**

By Mrs. Sherry Schultz

**Leland Seibert**

By Mrs. Loretta Seibert

**Pastor Abel Serrano**

By Ms. Carmen D. Downey

Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Lopez

Mr. and Mrs. Samir Serrano

**Mike Sivley**

By Mr. & Mrs. Don Wysong

**Newt Townsend**

By Winlock SDA Church

**Evelyn Trefz**

By Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Myers

**Lambro Triantos**

By Mrs. Betty H. Maynor

**Charles Vining**

By Mrs. Nita Vining

**Joshua Wall**

By Mr. and Mrs. Don Rosen

**Joy Wall**

By Mr. and Mrs. Don Rosen

**Bruce Wickwire, Sr.**

By Mrs. Adele Wickwire

**Hans Wiggers**

By Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thomas

**Dr. Charles D. Willis**

By Dr. & Mrs. Ghanim Elias

**Russell Youngberg**

By Mrs. Arlean Bechtel