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Anny Paid Your Gift Forward

Anny is one of the grown children from the Las Palmas children's village. **Your support of Anny through the years has made a tremendous impact on her life.** You'll be pleased to know that she has been paying your generosity forward through a life of service. Here's her story and an update on what she is accomplishing now.

Many years ago, Anny came to the Las Palmas children village as a small, orphaned child. Anny's sick and aging grandmother was unable to care for her and eventually Anny became a part of the Las Palmas family. She had no one in the world to care for her—except you and ICC.

Through the support of generous donors like you, Anny was given a new home and family. Anny grew to be well-respected within the Las Palmas community. She was cooperative at home, excelled in school and grew to love Jesus as her personal Savior. She thrived in the environment you helped provide for her.

While growing up, Anny depended on you. And what a blessing you've been to help her not only through primary school and secondary school, but also when it was time to go to university. Your support made it possible for her, because when Anny and the other children turn 18, they don't "age out" of our program. Anny wasn't turned out into the streets. Your gifts and support make it possible for children like Anny to pursue an education that prepares them for a life of service.

Your incredible generosity completely changed the trajectory of her life! What a blessing you've been! And even though Anny can't pay you back for your support, she and many other ICC kids do pay your generosity forward by using their talents to serve others.

Anny attended the Adventist University near the Las Palmas campus. She excelled in math and when her class schedule allowed, she returned to Las Palmas to help teach math to her "brothers and sisters." In 2004 Anny earned degrees in Math and Accounting. What would she do next?



Because of your generous support, Anny received an education with degrees in Math and Accounting. Anny is the Director of Accounting in the food service department for area schools.



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Anny Paid Your Gift Forward — cont'd

How would she pay your generosity forward?

You'll be pleased to know that Anny accepted a position as math teacher at our Las Palmas primary school!

The children loved Anny. She was an excellent teacher and she had a simple way of explaining math so that the children understood. While a teacher at Las Palmas, Anny married a handsome young man named Samuel. After some time, Anny and Samuel had the joy of welcoming their son, Adriel, into their home.

The awareness of Anny's skill as a math teacher spread beyond the Las Palmas campus. Eventually, the Adventist University asked her to join their staff as a math teacher. She accepted the position and during her time there, she earned her master's degree in teaching.

Anny's influence has expanded beyond the small Adventist Community surrounding Las Palmas and the Adventist University. She is currently serving as Director of Accounting for the food service department for area schools and government offices.

Though Anny's sphere of influence has grown, her roots are still firmly planted within the Las Palmas family. Her son, Adriel is in 4th grade at the Las Palmas school. Her family continues to be members of the Las Palmas church where her husband, Samuel, serves as the church treasurer.

Thank you for all you do to support orphans like Anny. You helped transform a life filled with heartache and tragedy into a life of service and influence! You make stories like this possible when you give your gift each month in support of other children who, like Anny, just need an opportunity to be loved within a caring family at an ICC children's village. Thanks for all you do. God bless you!

Kate Hines



This former orphan with no home now has a beautiful life, thanks to you!



Anny and Samuel and their son Adriel

Please Help Fill the Shipping Container!

You're amazing! Generous donors are sending funds and valuable items that will go to the Las Palmas children's village. Final shipping arrangements are being made, but you can still help. Drop your gift at ICC, or send funds in the enclosed envelope, by April 30.

The updated list of needs is at the following link: [Bit.ly/1KryDns](https://bit.ly/1KryDns). Thanks for making this shipment a blessing for our Las Palmas children! **Remember — Each \$1 donated can equal \$5 worth of supplies sent!**



Thank You For Blessing the Children of Las Palmas

Your support has made possible some wonderful things at the Las Palmas children's village! Including children from the local area, the Las Palmas primary and secondary schools are providing quality education for 127 children.

Food production from the greenhouses and campus farm help to provide healthy meals for the children. The campus is bustling with activities, and the most exciting news as that three new children have been taken in to the Las Palmas Family.

On the back page, we'll introduce you to one of them and let you know how you can lend a hand for a very important project.



Adonis Needs Your Prayers and Support

Last year, Adonis, one of the older boys at Las Palmas suffered a broken neck in a diving accident. This has left him a quadriplegic. As you would expect, this tragedy has altered this young man's life. He has struggled to recover and accept the limitation of his new life. Most recently, Adonis has suffered from ulcers on his body developed from so much time in bed without moving.

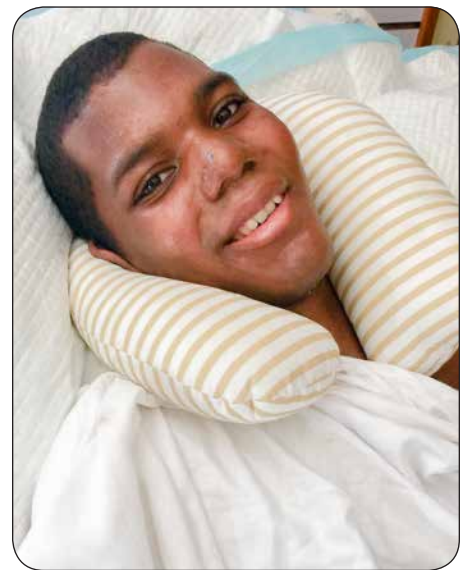
Rick and Sharon Fleck visited Adonis several times during their recent trip to the Las Palmas children's village. They have consulted with local doctors and a wound specialist from the US.

Adonis has been given a new course of treatment and we are thankful that he is experiencing some improvement. He is in less pain, and healing is starting to take place. He has better movement of his arms and this has encouraged him.

Your gifts have helped in Adonis' recovery. Thank you so much for your support of this young man. He will need long-term, specialized care. Please consider praying for him and giving financial support for his ongoing care.

If you not done so already, sign up for our e-mail newsletter by visiting www.forhiskids.org. We'll provide regular updates on Adonis' condition.

Thanks for your support.



Adonis suffered a broken neck in an accident. He is now a quadriplegic. He needs your prayers and your support for his long-term medical care and recovery.

8-Year-Old Girl Has New Home!

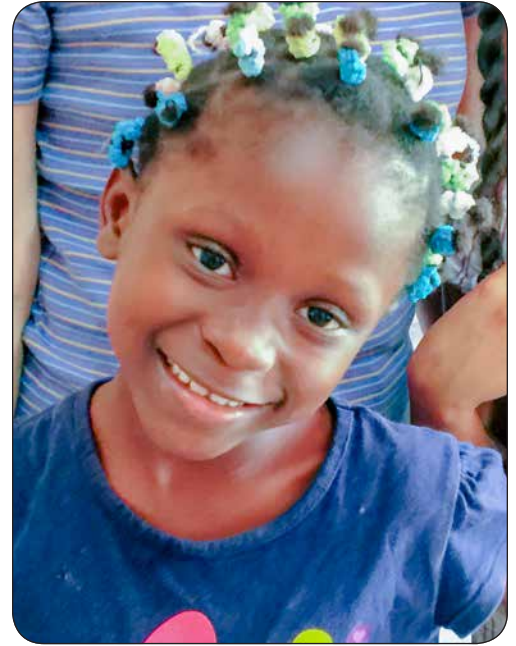
Welcomed with open arms, thanks to your support.

It's because of your ongoing support that new children can be taken into the loving care of the Las Palmas family. One recent addition is little Blandina, who will be 8-years-old this month. Blandina's father died as a result of liver disease.

As is often the case for poor families in the Dominican Republic, when her father died, it left her mother completely destitute. Since Blandina's mother was unable to provide for her, Blandina was brought to the Las Palmas children's village.

Thanks to your help, Blandina is being nurtured in a loving family and has been given the opportunity to receive a quality education at the Las Palmas school.

Thank you for the part you play in supporting and welcoming Blandina into the Las Palmas family.



Thanks to you, Blandina has a new home!

Critical Improvement Needed at Las Palmas Primary School

Your gift of \$41 helps provide computer skills so the children don't fall behind.

At the Las Palms primary school children must often crowd around one of the computers that still functions. Essential computer skills needed to succeed are missed or lost when so many children must share one computer.

But you can help! **Your gift of \$41 will provide essential access to a computer for a child like Blandina.** That's right, for \$41 you can provide access to the technology she needs to excel in her education and break the cycle of poverty.

You and I probably take our computers for granted, but for the children of Las Palmas, time on a computer is a real difference maker for their future. With your help, a child will be able to use a computer and the software they need to survive in today's world. **What a blessing your gift of \$41, or any amount, will be for Blandina and her friends!**



Nine kids sharing a single computer does not make for the best learning environment! Your gift of \$41 will help provide more computers for these kids.

Please use the response card and send in your gift today. On behalf of the children, Thank you!