



Have A Joyous Holiday Season

A Special Christmas Matching Challenge Doubles Your Gift Today!

December 1, 2016

Dear Friend,

As the son of an Adventist pastor couple, I grew to love and appreciate the special traditions and activities of Christmas.

The candles.

The carols.

The lights on the tree.



The nativity complete with shepherds, wise men, animals, Mary, Joseph and the Babe laying in a manger.

As lovely as the nativity scene is in portraying the “reason for the season,” it also is a haunting reminder to us all that the Babe lying in a manger was in the manger because there was no room for Him anywhere else!

Today, “no room” is a harsh reality that orphan children continue to face.

But not if you help today.

In the Adventist faith, we are told to “make room” for children. James 1:27 even goes so far as to say that pure and genuine religion requires us to care for orphans in



This Christmas your gift will be matched to help twice as many children!

their distress. That's God's call to action — for me, and for YOU!

And now, especially at Christmas, YOU can make even more room for an orphan child by responding to a special matching grant that will double your gift.

That's right. Because "making room" for orphans is a top priority, two of our loyal donors have stepped forward to challenge you to match their gifts. You can now double any donation you give until December 31 or until a total amount of \$60,00 is reached.

The reality is that this Christmas, we're experiencing a shortfall for the year. That means it's almost impossible to think of "making room" for any more children. Budgets are strained to the breaking point taking care of kids who already have found room within the ICC family.

So, wherever the need is greatest, your gift brings help — and hope! Your doubled gift will help provide...



Food for Deka, whose mother was killed by lightning and who suffered from malnutrition before she came desperately needing YOU to help "make room" for her.



Shelter for orphaned Ramon, whose cousin brought him to ICC to get him away from drug trafficking gangs. Ramon needed YOU to help "make room" for him.



Nurturing care for Sofia, from an orphanage in Guatemala that was closing its doors. Sofia also needed YOU to help "make room" for her.



'Room' for children like Oria and her three sisters. Oria, the oldest sister, wrote a letter pleading, "Please give us your help. I promise that we are going to behave well... We are not lazy. Even my little sister knows how to do dishes and clean. If the four of us can't stay and be together, which is our desire, at least I want you to help our little sisters."

The world tells orphans, "There's NO ROOM for you!" But I'm calling on you to tell



a waiting child something far different — You'll say, "I believe in you! I know you long for a home and family, and I want to help you!"

You've done it before. Each and every time you've sent a gift to help a child.

I pray that because of your support, orphan children will come to know and experience the love of our Heavenly Father. It was because of God's great love that He gave the ultimate gift of His Son, Jesus, to the world. And now, God calls us to prepare room and receive Him by helping to "make room" for His little ones who are in need.

"Let every heart, prepare Him room..."

Please, while you have my letter in your hand, fill out your reply form and mail it back with your gift — which will immediately be doubled.

On behalf of the children, thank you for blessing them this Christmas!

In His Service,



Rick Fleck
President

***P.S.* Remember to give by December 31 to take advantage of year-end tax benefits AND to have your gift matched, helping twice as many children in need!**