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NEW BEGINNINGS—Thanks to YOU!

A Message for the New Year from Rick Fleck, ICC President

As a New Year begins, we've all been given the renewed opportunity to experience a **NEW BEGINNING**. During the past several months YOUR support has helped create dozens of **NEW BEGINNINGS** for children who have been orphaned, abandoned or neglected.

I've shared with you the stories of children who have lived with aching bellies because of malnutrition, or who have experienced abuse and neglect at the hands of family members.

You've helped rescue these kids through your generous support! Because of you, they've been welcomed into one of our children's homes. They now have nourishing food and a warm place to sleep. They have Adventist house parents who treat them kindly and tell them about their Heavenly Father who loves them very much.

I say it often, but it bears repeating. This ministry for children exists because of donors like YOU! There would not be a warm welcome nor would there be a NEW BEGINNING—if it were not

for YOU! On behalf of the children, thank you very much for your continued care and support!

As we turn the page of yet another year, I invite you to turn the pages of this Que Pasa where you'll find several updates from children's projects that YOU have supported with generous gifts and prayers.

You'll find the first update on this page. It's from the El Oasis Children's Village in Mexico. You'll see how your gifts change lives!

★ **A matching grant will double your gift!**

See the back page for details.

El Oasis, Mexico

Thanks to your support, there are over 20 children—many who are orphans or have been homeless—who now are part of the ICC El Oasis family.

Work is completed on meeting new government requirements. This will give us the possibility to help more kids!

We're being asked to take in additional children right away. We can't move forward without YOUR continued support.



**Inside —
More Project Updates!**

Thanks for YOUR support of "HIS KIDS"



When you support children like Alegria, you enable them to reach important milestones in their education.

Las Palmas, Dominican Republic
Thanks to YOUR support, 27 new children have come to Las Palmas during the past 15 months. Fabia is one of those kids who was rescued, along with her siblings, from an unsafe family situation.

Your support is securing the future of Las Palmas so it can help more children.



Fabia was rescued from a dysfunctional family. She's living at Las Palmas.

Fuente de Vida, Nicaragua
Because of YOU, Alegria recently graduated from 6th grade. All the children enjoyed a special meal in celebration.
Government policies are making the future of this project uncertain. **Please pray for the children and staff.**

Los Pinos, Guatemala
Because of YOU, 20 new children are at Los Pinos! Two of the homes have been remodeled for new children. They are having their own "NEW BEGINNING."
New children provide a blessing for everyone. All the children are blessed as the family supports the new kids with love and encouragement.
Eight children graduated from ICAP's secondary school. Griselda, one of our older girls, recently received a university degree in Pharmaceutical Chemistry.



Griselda grew up at Los Pinos. Her university degree in Pharmaceutical Chemistry is a first for Los Pinos.

ICC Romania
YOUR support enables six kids to attend the Adventist boarding high school in Bucharest. Attending this school is a powerful opportunity the children would not have had without your support.
Government authorities are making it difficult for us to continue this project. While the future of this project is uncertain, the children are much better off because of the support you've given!

Patmos, Idjwi Island, D.R. Congo
Patmos Children's Village is ICC's largest project. Donors like YOU have faithfully supported needed improvements bringing hydro-electric power to the campus and constructing the secondary school.
The director of Patmos, Désiré, recently sent this message; "Insecurity lingers in the country. We face extreme difficulties to get food for the children."
Please keep the children and staff of this project in your prayers.

DEWS Sweet Home, India
India is one of ICC's projects where children are experiencing NEW BEGINNINGS— thanks to you. Four new children have been welcomed into the DEWS Sweet home children's village. Eight-year-old Mita is one of the new children. Both of Mita's parents died and other family members were unable to care for her.
The DEWS Sweet Home celebrated its 20-year anniversary in October. The event also celebrated the life and contribution of Lilly Kaligithi who is retiring. Her daughter Susan is taking her place.
For many years, YOU have helped Lilly do amazing things for the children of SWEET HOME. Children both former and current surrounded Lilly celebrating the anniversary and the life of someone they had grown to love and cherish as a mother and a mentor.



Thanks to your support, Mita has been given a NEW BEGINNING!

“Your support has helped kids and orphans all over the world be safe, be fed, and introduced to our loving Saviour!”

Opportunity! Double Your EXTRA Gift Today!

Special Matching Grant For Las Palmas Fish Industry!

When you support the Las Palmas fish industry with an extra donation, you'll provide more than a double blessing! First, your donation will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$30,000. Second, by helping to develop the fish farm now, you'll make the campus more and more self-sustaining. You'll be helping today's kids AND the next generation of children!



This picture shows an example of how the fish farm proposed for Las Palmas would look. Fish are raised in the individual pens. Mature fish are sold to market. A 'batch' of fish takes six to nine months to mature. Your donation to this Las Palmas industry will be doubled through a matching grant.

“More Fish = Help for MORE CHILDREN!”

Here's how... your extra gift today will increase the Las Palmas fish industry. By expanding the fish industry to a nearby lake, you will increase the number of fish raised and increase the income to Las Palmas. And it's all in support of the kids!

It's an incredible, forward-thinking way you can have your extra gift immediately doubled, and you'll multiply your impact even further by providing income for Las Palmas!

Thank you for supporting the ongoing needs of the children with your regular gifts and for sending an extra gift for the fish industry that will be DOUBLED!

Memorials

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