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A New Life —Thanks to You!

You can be part of the miracle of a changed life! Read on to find out more.

hree children arrive at the gate of the Los Pinos children's village in Guatemala. Valentina and Debora are nine-year-old twins. Their 11-year-old brother, Joel, is with them. His little body aches as he suffers from Dengue fever.

Their father is dead. Long before his death he had abandoned the family. This left the mother and children to struggle on their own. Eventually, it was just too much. The children's court realized that the mother could not provide for them and sent Joel, Valentina and Debora to Los Pinos.

Tired... hungry... scared... sick.

After entering through the gate, the children are welcomed into their new Los Pinos family.

Joel receives immediate medical care. The children bathe, put on a fresh set of clothes and eat a nourishing meal. They are accepted into the family and settle into the family routine. For this day, they have found a refuge and a place of healing.

But there is so much more that they need. Having been abandoned, they have deep scars and



These three siblings have been rescued! There's more to be done, and **you can** make it happen!

fears about being left behind by someone they love. They need reassurance that they won't be abandoned again. They need you to stand beside them and help provide for their on-going care!

You help to propel this ministry for orphans!

Your recurring, monthly gift will help provide the food, clothing, education, or medical care Joel, Valentina, Debora, or another child like them, needs. You will make an ongoing difference in the life of a child.

You have shown great interest in the lives of children who have been orphaned and abandoned.

Though it may not be feasible for you to provide help to children in person, your generous gift will help to restore the lives of children like Joel, Valentina and Debora. With your help, they can continue building on the new start they have been given. Won't you please help them today?

To support one of these children, please use the enclosed coupon or visit our website at ForHisKids.org Thank you!

Thanks for Helping to Send a "Container of Love" to Las Palmas!

ou'll be happy to know that a 40-foot shipping container has been loaded with precious gifts and supplies and is now on its way to the Las Palmas children's village in the Dominican Republic! Without your support, this shipment would not have been possible. Thank you so much for your partnership and generosity!

This "container of love" has many unique and practical items that will bless the children. Packed carefully and safely inside are — kitchen appliances, cookware and utensils, furniture, clothing, washers, and dryers, tools, and equipment for a dental clinic.

We are able get much more for your money when we obtain lightly-used items here in the United States. Often their quality is far superior to new items that could be purchased locally in the Dominican Republic.

Acquiring items second-hand also provides a blessing to those who are selling. When they find out about this ministry for children and where the item will be going, they often drastically reduce the price. One seller became a donor on the spot when she gave us the sofa she was selling. When she found out that the sofa was going to the children's village she said, "I can't take any money." She then started looking around her house for other things she could donate! She was blessed to be a blessing!

We trust that you also feel this way — Blessed to be a Blessing! You certainly are blessing the children with your support. Thank you for your kindness!



The fully loaded container leaves ICC HQ in Vancouver, WA, for the Las Palmas Children's Village in the Dominican Republic.

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Momentarily empty—the container that has shipped to Las Palmas waiting to be loaded with your donations.



By the end of the first day of loading, the formally-empty container is more than three-quarters filled.



Loading complete. Twelve hours of concerted effort by staff and volunteers has seen your donations packed to ship.



This 'sign,' with a special message for the children and families of Las Palmas, was attached to your gifts before we closed the doors of the container.

We want the kids and their families to know how much you value them and desire to bless their lives.



The sign reads; "May you enjoy these blessings from your ICC family."

A communiqué similar to this one is sent with each container as a special message to those who are blessed by your donations.

Please accept our heart-felt thank you on behalf of the children of Las Palmas for your loving generosity in providing these much-need supplies.

— Second Container Needed! —

The outpouring of your support for this "container of love" was so great that when the doors were shut, many valuable items were left behind. In fact, we have nearly enough to send another container to Las Palmas! What a blessing — and what a challenge as we don't have sufficient funds on hand to ship the second container. If you'd like to help send up to \$4 worth of supplies for every \$1 you donate, please send in your gift today and mark it, "Las Palmas Container 2." Thank you!

Special Tributes to Mothers

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- In Honor of Marcella Burgdorff
 Jean Burgdorff
- In Honor of Helen Downey
 Carl Swenson
- In Honor of Jean Gard
 Jean Burgdorff
- In Honor of Ann Gimbel
 Marlin Gimbel
- In Honor of Jan Greve Marie Christian
- In Honor of Geraldine Holm Marilyn Holm
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