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A Child's Eyes

Dear ICC Family,

I was looking into the darkest and deepest blackness I had ever seen in my life. I had seen this once before. These were the eyes of three little children who had just arrived at one of our children's villages from some tragedy in their lives — a tragedy that left them not only homeless, but absolutely hopeless, which is a far worse situation.

I tried to make conversation with these children but received little response. This moment brought a deep sadness to my heart as I looked into those eyes.

So, I kept a little closer watch on these three children during my work that week. During those few days, I saw those precious children given a home, a bed to sleep in, and most important to them, a family to love them.

As these kids came to understand that they really had a place to call their own, a place that each one of you provided for them, it was amazing to watch the change that took place when I looked into those little eyes for a second time.

Those eyes that were so black just days before, now had a radiant glow and vibrancy to them. I knew from past experiences that these were now the eyes that only result from the gift of love and hope created in these children's lives. It is a gift beyond measure that you and your gifts of love are providing to them.

Looking back over my work with ICC for over 20 years, I have seen those eyes many times over. I am always filled with amazement to see those eyes of hopelessness change to excitement!

I also know that this change can only take place because of you, the ones who truly care enough to give from your hearts in order to make sure that there are homes of hope for these children of God.

Right now, these homes of hope are being threatened as we enter the most financially challenging time of the year for the children's food budgets. We are now entering a time when the funding for the



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children gets so low that we can't keep up with their basic needs. From May through September, the children's villages struggle tremendously to make sure that His kids have even the basics of life.

I am asking you today if you would please pray, and then respond to what you feel Jesus wants you to do in order to make sure that His kids can continue to have even the basic of needs in these next few months. Will you please consider doing this for the children today?

Your gifts of loving support will be something that I can assure you will be life-changing for the children in these most difficult times. I believe that Jesus called each one of us for such a time as this when His children need you so much.

Please mark your gifts "*Sustaining Life*" so that we will know that you have answered the call of Jesus in *James 1:27* where He tells us to "take care of the orphans." By doing this, you will make sure that the children will receive what they need to continue to have this hope in Jesus for their tomorrows.

God bless you all,



Doug Congleton

