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### **A MOST HAPPY AND BLESSED CHRISTMAS TO EACH OF OUR PARTNERS AND FRIENDS!**

“To God be the glory; great things He hath done.”

Dear Partners and Friends,

God is GREAT!! I continually stand in awe of God's mercy and graciousness and to those who give as He speaks to our hearts and compels us to share that with which He has blessed us! All praise to God and THANKS TO YOU—new partners and those of long standing—who are dedicated to TLC Ministries. We are pleased and blessed that TLC is able to make a difference in the lives of those who need someone to make a difference in their lives.

I must share a recent event. Earlier this year I received a note from the mother of a teenager. She said that Michelle wanted to help TLC by holding a fund raiser with her friends but was not successful. So she decided to make jewelry and sell it to raise money. In November she sent TLC a check for \$700.00 representing the proceeds of her sales!! This is an awesome testimonial and we should all be very proud of her!! Who said our teenagers aren't concerned about the less fortunate?

Many of you, like Michelle have answered our prayer that TLC Ministries will continue to expand and bless additional children who will come to know Him as their personal Savior because of your love gifts.

This Thanksgiving/Christmas shipment has been one of our best, if not the best. Even I was amazed at the quantity of items we were able to provide. It is a pleasure and blessing for me to advise you of the many items we shipped.

**Coats/Jackets 1445, and 457 light weight Jackets** most of which were provide by one partner!! Our goal was 1,200 but your monetary and in-kind giving has enabled us to significantly exceed that goal.

**981 3-piece sets (Hats, scarves and mittens), 398 2-piece sets (hats and mitten), plus 451**

**hats, 208 scarfs, and 32 gloves.** The children really appreciate the matching hat/scarf/mitten sets. There is a knit pattern which you may download from our web site or, request by mail.

**Boys' outfits, 432** (pants, shirt, underwear, socks). Many of the outfits included a toy car. We accept store-bought jeans for **BOYS ONLY** in sizes 4 through 14. We also shipped **22 shirts and 19 jeans.**

**Girls' outfits, 453** (dress or jumper/blouse, tights or socks, slip, undies, hair bow, bracelet, barrette, and a small crocheted purse). We also shipped **107 Dresses, 15 skirts, 307 long sleeve tops and 83 leggings.** A Biblical tract entitled, “How Many Days Till Christmas?” was included with each boys' and girls' outfit.

**Sweaters 271 and 69 sweatshirts for boys/girls.**

**Shoes, 520** pairs. The Shoe Fund (\$18.00) is ongoing.

We also shipped **200** youth/adult blankets, quilts, and afghans, **333** PJ's/nightgowns with slippers for the girls and **261** PJ's with slippers for the boys, plus **12** bathrobes, **99** Ponchos, **58** Pillow cases.

Infant clothing **577** pieces, plus **238** baby blankets, quilts and afghans, **12** “preemie” blankets w/hats, **118** sleepers, **36** onesies, **22** infant sweaters, **5** snowsuits, **8** baby buntings, **35** toddler jackets, **50** pair of booties, **45** baby shoes/sneakers, **166** hats, **16** hats & mittens, **20** pair of knit slippers, and **12** toddler tights. Also **4** Raggedy Ann Dolls, **18** dolls, and **168** beanie babies/stuffed toys for the older children.

**Personal Care Kits, 766** Please only include the contents listed (quantity and **SIZE**) on our website. Pattern for the Care Bags is on our website.

Our next shipment will be for **Easter**, which is on March 27th. So the deadline is **February 29, 2016.** You may ship earlier, but **please** not later than this date.

**Boys** need pants and **SHORT-SLEEVED** cotton knit shirts in sizes 4 through 14.

**Girls** need solid color or floral patterned **SHORT-SLEEVED dresses**, and **SLIPS**, in sizes 4 through 14; designs and fabric (washable) must be appropriate for young girls. **PLEASE don't forget to mark the size on each garment that you make.**

Nothing I could say would be sufficient to thank you for your meaningful and valuable contributions to TLC Ministries; I just pray that God will interpret from my heart to yours just what this means to me personally and to the ones who receive your gifts. **Along with my expression of deep gratitude comes my prayer that God's choicest blessings will be yours at Christmastime and throughout 2016.**

**We are mailing a copy of our Christmas Newsletter to each partner. For those of you who share the electronic copy of the Newsletter please download a copy from our web site.**

I send a personal acknowledgment of each gift that is received by TLC, however, sometimes we receive packages that are shipped from an UPS or FedEx store and the only address is theirs. Please include a name and address if you ship that method because we do not want your gifts to go unacknowledged.

I pray this report will bless your heart and that you will prayerfully share it with a friend or relative. Many times new partners become aware of this ministry through you.

In line with our being a good steward of TLC's finances, please notify me if you do not wish to remain on our mailing list, have a change of address, or have not provided us with an e-mail address.

Your generosity continues to be unbelievable as evidenced during 2015. It is my prayer that you would seek the will of the Lord in the matter of sending a year-end gift at this time to enable us to begin now to prepare for the 2016 Easter Season in meeting the needs of children. May God bless you as you follow His bidding. If you have already sent a donation, our heartfelt thanks to you.

**IN MEMORIAM**  
**JoAnne Cummings**  
**May 3, 1947-February 14, 2015**  
**Maureen McClosky**  
**December 14, 1930-August 28, 2015**  
**Gerri Vining**  
**February 27, 1925-October 1, 2015**  
**Barbara Woods**  
**December 4, 1929-November 13, 2015**  
**Charlotte Luber**  
**June 3, 1926-November 22, 2015**

We thank God for their longevity and their many years of dedicated service to the cause of helping countless needy children through TLC Ministries. I covet your prayers that God would be with their families.

**BLESSINGS ALWAYS!**

Joyfully in **HIS** service,



Carole P. Franceski  
Founder/Director

*Then the righteous will answer him,  
"Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you,  
Or thirsty and give you something to drink?  
When did we see you a stranger and invite you in,  
or needing clothes and clothe you?  
When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit  
you?" The King will reply,  
"I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the  
least of these brothers of mine, you did it for me."  
Matthew 26:37-40 NIV*



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*"Whatever your hands find to do, do it with all your might..." Ecclesiastes 9:10*