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CHOICE CHRISTIAN GREETINGS TO ALL
OUR PARTNERS AND FRIENDS!!

Praise God for all that He has done!!

Dear Partner,

Once again, it is my pleasure to be able to report to you on our EASTER shipment to the children in Appalachia. It is down a little from last year but still very good.

But first, I want to WELCOME the many new partners that are now supporting TLC. All praise to God and THANKS TO YOU — new partners and those of long standing — who are dedicated to TLC Ministries. 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! We can rejoice with all of Heaven because of Him and the way He "makes a way" for each of us to participate in His vineyard.

We are pleased that TLC is able to make a difference in the lives of so many needy children. When we visit churches and schools and meet the children we see and hear their appreciation for the gifts of love that **YOUR** gifts of love enable us to provide! **We are blessed to be a blessing!**

Through your generosity we were able to send **334 outfits** for the boys. We also shipped **27 PJ's, 8 sets of thermal underwear** and **9 light weight jackets**. For those of you who are new contributors to TLC, an outfit includes pants, shirt, underwear and socks. We accept jeans, but ONLY for BOYS! Sizes needed are 4 through 14.

For the girls we sent **466 outfits** and **103 dresses**. An outfit includes a dress or jumper and blouse, slip, undies, tights or socks, hair bow, bracelet, and a little crocheted pocketbook. **(Please no jeans or slacks for the girls.)** We also shipped **16 nightgowns, 8 PJ's, and 23 sets of thermal underwear**. A Biblical Tract for children is always included with each child's outfit.

We urgently need all sizes of slips 4 through 14. They are very easy to make and you may request a copy of the pattern. Please be specific as to what

size you would like to make as they are cut individually. Also, there is a poncho pattern on our web site. Please make 4-6 year size, or larger.

Our clothing contributions for the girls have steadily increased; however, the boys have not kept up. Therefore, this has meant that we have to buy many outfits for the boys. So, we continue to request items for the boy's outfits and/or monetary contributions to cover our purchases.

For infants/toddlers we shipped **76** pieces of toddler clothing, **16** baby blankets, **15** afghans, **6** sweaters, **3** quilts, **77** children's ponchos **11** pair of socks, **8** hats and **11** adult ponchos.

We also sent **500 personal care kits**. There is a very specific list of items that go into a care kit. You can print it from our web site, send us an e-mail, or drop us a note. BTW, we buy 4 oz. bottles of shampoo for \$0.65/each. To save on shipping you might consider shipping without shampoo and send a contribution instead.

We were able to provide **728 pair of shoes** for the children. This number includes a few that we received with the clothing. Our **SHOE FUND** is on-going and the cost is **\$18.00/pair** for the girls or boys.

We acknowledge each donation as it is received; however, occasionally we receive packages that do not have the senders address on them. If you sent us a package and did not receive a thank you note, please contact us. Our heart overflows with sincere thanks and deep appreciation to everyone for your consideration of these less fortunate children and for your generosity toward them. The impact you make is incalculable and you are very special to Him and to this ministry. May God's choicest blessings be yours now and always.

Remember, school starts the first week in August in the areas we serve. Our plans for the back-to-school trip have not been finalized but we hope to go in early August. Since we only make one trip a year we have decided to go the first week of school which gives the team an opportunity to interact with the students. We normally participate in at least 2 distributions on that trip.

Our schedules for the remainder of the year are:
DEADLINE **SHIPMENT**
JUNE 15th **BACK-TO-SCHOOL**
SHORT SLEEVES, and please mark the size
on each garment you make.

OCTOBER 15th **THANKSGIVING**
NOVEMBER 15th **CHRISTMAS**
LONG SLEEVES, and please mark the size on
each garment you make.

WINTER COATS are in **HIGH DEMAND**. The cost of each coat is **\$35.00**. The price increased in 2014 but, these coats are of high quality that retail for at least 3 to 4 times that amount. Last year we shipped 1,084 coats, and it is our prayer that we will be able to ship at least 1,200 this year. We would ask that you pray over this need and consider a contribution to the **COAT FUND**. The children will be most appreciative!!

Please remember that we have knit and crochet patterns for the hats, scarfs & mittens—just the right size for the children we service. **We also need crochet pocketbooks**. I will be happy to send you patterns or you can print them from our web site.

If possible, please send a gift today to help us in our work. We have enclosed an envelope for your convenience. **This is our only appeal for the Back-To-School shipment.** **If you are receiving this via e-mail or from our website, you can either mail your contribution or use the Pay Pal © icon on our web site.** If you have recently sent a gift, please accept my sincere thanks and appreciation.

If you have moved or plan to move, please send us your new address so we can update our files. By the way, we would appreciate it if you would send us your e-mail address, if you have not done so already, so we can communicate that way. With the cost of postage, every little bit helps. **WE NEVER SHARE OR SELL OUR CONTRIBUTORS CONTACT DATA.**

I pray this report will bless your heart and that you will prayerfully share it with a friend or relative. A copy of this and prior newsletters are available on our website. Many times new contributors become aware of this ministry through your sharing about us.

Please check our website www.tlcmministries.info in early April for a new and improved format. **Many thanks to Stephanie, Andre and Liz!!**

In Memoriam
June Eissmann
1929 – 2015
Genevieve Quinn
1929 – 2014

We thank God for June and Genevieve's 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.

As we look forward to the celebration of **EASTER** I would like to wish all of you

A VERY HAPPY AND BLESSED EASTER!

Alleluia!!

HE IS RISEN!

HE IS RISEN INDEED!!

Joyfully in **HIS** service,

Carole Franceski

Carole Franceski, Founder & Director

MATTHEW 25

37 "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?' **38** When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you?' **39** When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' **40** "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it for me.'"

