

September-October 2016

Dear GC Friends:

"Rejoice Forever!" That was on the back of an envelope of a thank-you note from a woman who had received a *GC* birthday gift bag. The outside envelope continued:

You do something no one else does, in a manner no one else does it. When you do, your uniqueness meets God's purpose.

The inside note was so sweet:

Wow. Your gift really touched me! Love the bag (it's my new Bible bag). I had a terrible day and got back to the shelter and they gave me the gift. Made me happy!! Inspires me to want to do a work for God!! Thank you so much. ©

[The bag was a beautifully handcrafted tote by one of the GC's Comfort Crafters.]

This is the season of giving thanks, so I would like to share with you a number of other recent thank yous from people who have received *GC* gift bags. The notes are heart-touching!

Thank you so much for the goodie bag! © & I love the devotional readings too; they are very inspiring. I had a lack of items when I arrived here, so receiving this gift bag really helped me & made my day! God bless you! ©

Thank you so much for the wonderful gift bag. The coloring book and the colored pencils are my favorite! I appreciate so much the thoughtfulness that went into putting those gifts together for me. It's nice to know there are people out there who care enough to put these together. Blessings to you and yours!!

Thank you for the comfort in my time of need. This has further helped me believe that others care about my need to stay positive, openminded, and willing to allow God to come into my heart.

Various notes mention the cute socks, the nail polish, the handcrafted item, or other specific items. All of them express thankfulness, with many smiley faces and hearts.

The many thank yous we receive bless us—and humble us. We do so little but receive such great return. May God help us to "rejoice forever" at what He is doing in our lives and in His eternal Kingdom through Jesus, our Redeemer.

We are also blessed by and grateful for your kindness and help in making *Grandma's Comfort* possible. Your support encourages us each day!

Though you do so much, I have a request. The Tuesday after Thanksgiving is "Giving Tuesday." In the Christmas season we more than double our gift-giving. Please pray for us and pass on the word about *GC* to your friends and family.

With deep thankfulness, Diane and Tom Zimmerman



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- Hats, scarves, mittens/gloves
- Jewelry—ladies, girls, boys
- Cosmetic pouches
- Washcloths
- Toiletries—lotion, shower gel, lip balm/chapstick
- Men's gift items, such as wallets
- Coloring books, sketch pads—adult and children
- Colored pencil sets
- Puzzles and puzzle books—adult and children
- Story books—all ages

IDEA: When ordering online, use Smile Amazon and select GC as your charity; we receive .5% cash back!