

## Dear Grandma's Comfort Friends:

All the news channels have broadcast their picks for 2015 highlights. So, here are "Highlights of *GC* 2015."

- Increase in Christmas gifts given by 29%!
  - <u>Story of the Socks</u>

Lansing City Outreach received an extra very



large donation of children's socks, so they gave some to Pregnancy Services who, in turn, sent all those larger than toddler size to *GC*. We did not \_\_\_\_\_\_ previously know of

LCO, so we were happy

GC volunteers celebrate after all the wrapping!

to provide 84 gifts for their Christmas party. Don't you love it?!

o <u>Story of the 2014 Shipment</u>

The 2014 Christmas shipment arrived in Haiti in October 2015! The orphanage/school, Melissa's Hope, gave out gifts immediately and saved enough for Christmas 2015!

- Chris Rockwell, GC communications team member, returned from a short-term missions trip to Haiti with a new project for us:
  - Story of the Women Entrepreneurs
    Women living in poverty are learning craft and marketing skills in order to support their families. GC is sending yarn, beads, and needles. We will purchase some of the handcrafted items
- New donors and groups have partnered with *GC* church women, retirees, agencies. One donor is using his gift to look forward:

for GC gift bags.

This is to help keep the comfort coming in 2016  $\odot$ 



## o <u>Story of the Yarn</u>

A generous donation of a gynormous amount of high quality yarn enabled *GC* to donate it to groups and individuals who created beautiful items for us and other charities!

 Thank you letters abounded with many interesting stories of how GC gifts made recipients feel that someone cares. All said they were grateful, blessed, and comforted!

The Christmas bags were beautiful as always this year. They brought smiles to many faces throughout December. We appreciate you and feel so blessed to *be able to give our families these special gifts!* -- VOA Hotel Emergency Lodging

You are a very special and important part of the *GC* story. Your generous heart makes it possible for us to move into *GC*'s next decade. Thank you so much, and Praise the Lord for His love, mercy, joy, and provision.

Blessings and joy in 2016,

Diane and Tom Zimmerman

Encl.: End-of-year receipts for 2015 gifts—cash and items. No goods or services were received in exchange for these donations. Tax exempt to the full extent allowed by law.

## Needs for Winter

- Winter items:
  - Scarves, hats, gloves/mittens—purchased or handcrafted
  - Winter socks, slipper-socks
- Gift items:
  - Jewelry-purchased or handcrafted
  - Wallets-men or women
  - Manicure sets, nail clippers
- Toiletries:
  - Lotion—regular or travel size
  - Shower gel—regular or travel size
  - o Soap
  - Toothbrushes & toothpaste

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