



March-April, 2015

Dear *Grandma's Comfort* Friends:

A young mother with three children under age 5 entered a local Christian shelter late one evening. As her laundry was being done, one of the volunteers (who also volunteers at GC) helped with the children. She told us this story:

Volunteer: *What is that pretty bag you are carrying?*

5-Year-Old Girl: *This is my "ditty" bag (a military expression), and it has a pencil, crayons, and paper.*

Vol: *Did you bring the bag with you? (knowing full well that it was a GC comfort bag for children).*

Girl: *They gave it to me when I got here—and my little brother has one, too! (Smile)*

Vol: *What else does it have in it?*

Girl: *My brother got toys.*

Vol: *Does your bag have toys, too?*

Girl: *Yes. Do you want to see what I've colored? (And she handed over the little smiley-face memo pad. She had drawn on every page.)*

Vol: *Who is this you have drawn?*

Girl: *That's Jesus!*

Vol: *And who is this?*

Girl: *That's me!*

Vol: *Oh—well, you look alike!*



Every page—a picture of Jesus. How I long to have every page of my life be imprinted with the life of Jesus so that I "look alike" Him! Children teach us so much. We are grateful for all those who have told this young girl about Jesus!

[We have included a copy of the GC children's card that this young girl and boy would have received in their comfort "ditty" bags! The card highlights Jesus and children.]

And we are grateful for GC volunteers. One volunteer who heard this story was amazed—because she had wrapped the very comfort bags the little girl and her brother had received at the shelter. She was so uplifted! It is such an encouragement to see the work of your hands and heart find such a sweet home!

Thank you for this things is really nice came from you. Thank you for remember my birthday. That is nice. I am happy to receive this surprise and I appreciate. Thank You ☺

--From a refugee child

We are encouraged, too, by this wonderful feedback and by the many thank you notes we receive each month. (Read the one in the box above.)

You are also an encouragement to us by your faithful prayers and contributions. We are always uplifted when a check arrives, or a bag of handcrafted "ditty" bags or scarves or jewelry, or a box on our door step filled with memo pads, crayons, cute socks, small stuffed animals, personal care items, and New Testaments (and much more).

We thank God through Jesus His Son for you, and we pray for you in our prayer times!

*O to be like Thee! O to be like Thee,
Blessed Redeemer, pure as Thou art!
Come in Thy sweetness, come in Thy fullness;
Stamp Thine own image deep on my heart.*

Thomas O. Chisholm, 1897

With grateful hearts,

Diane and Tom

Diane and Tom Zimmerman

Encl.: March-April 2015 receipt.

No goods or services were received in exchange for these donations. Tax exempt to the full extent allowed by law.

Ongoing Needs:

- *Small stuffed animals or beanie babies*
- *Handcrafted cosmetic pouches, washcloths, jewelry, pillowcases, soap, baby booties, and **any** handcrafted items*
- *Gift bags and tote bags, all sizes, including gently used*
- *School supplies—calculators, notebooks, colored pencils, highlighters, pencils, pencil sharpeners, note pads*
- *Devotional literature, Gospel tracts, New Testaments*
- *Personal items—Kleenex, soap, shower gel, lotion, deodorant, toothbrushes with covers for adults and children, hotel-size amenities*
- *Financial support for purchasing many other items*

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