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You Have the Power to Bring Orphans New Life!

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Do I matter anymore?

I lost my daddy when he died of AIDS...
...had to move with my mom and sister into a house with no walls
...was orphaned when my mother also died
...need someone who will love me and who will care for me

I NEED YOU!

Because he does matter... Ask how you can help!

"I was impressed the children live in real homes. It's much better for them having a Mom and Dad!"

Dr. Robert Ford
Founder and CEO — Pacific Cataract & Laser Institute

"Every child needs someone. We've seen children's lives changed through ICC. Join us by giving your support. The children are worth it!"

Dave & Ginny Allen
Retired Minister & Inspirational Speaker

"You can support this ministry in full confidence, as I have for many years."

Ottis Edwards
Former President — Far Eastern Division

Each year, ASI members, supporters, and friends gather at the ASI International Convention to encourage one another and exchange ideas vital to their lay-driven ministry goals. ICC will have a booth at the upcoming Adventist-laymen's

Services & Industries (ASI) convention this year August 6-9 in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Please come by the booth. Rick and Sharon Fleck, along with Kent Greve will be there. They would love to talk about our kids and give you project updates.

The ICC Development Team is also excited to show off our new booth layout that is in our new theme that you may have seen in our "Gleaner" ads the last few months. If you do stop by let us know what you think. See you there!

A Personal Note

Back to School! Are you ready?

Going to school is something that most families and children take for granted. However, for orphan children in poor countries like the Dominican Republic, Guatemala, and India, going to school is a special privilege that they treasure – if they're given the opportunity. When they are brought to an ICC children's village and are supported by your donations, they are able to study, to learn, and to prepare for life.

The impact of education on the children is immense. It is life changing. It is enduring. This is especially true when a young person dedicates his or her life to Christ and prepares for full-time gospel ministry. This has been the case for four of ICC's children who have recently earned degrees in Theology. Their stories highlight the success our children experience when given an opportunity to pursue a quality education.

Huridis is one of the graduates. In the April 2014 Que

Pasa I wrote about his story and shared his testimony. Huridis came to the Las Palmas Children's Village when he was 13. He thrived within the loving environment. Several months ago he graduated from the

Adventist University in the Dominican Republic with his degree in Theology. If you didn't have an opportunity to read his story and testimony visit our website at www.forhiskids.org and click on the newsletter link.

Eliel grew up at the Los Pinos children's village in Guatemala. He had to leave his country to follow his dream of becoming a pastor. For several years Eliel studied Theology at Linda Vista University in Mexico where he recently earned his degree. Pastors are in high demand now in Guatemala, and the Adventist Mission is anxiously waiting for him to return to the country.

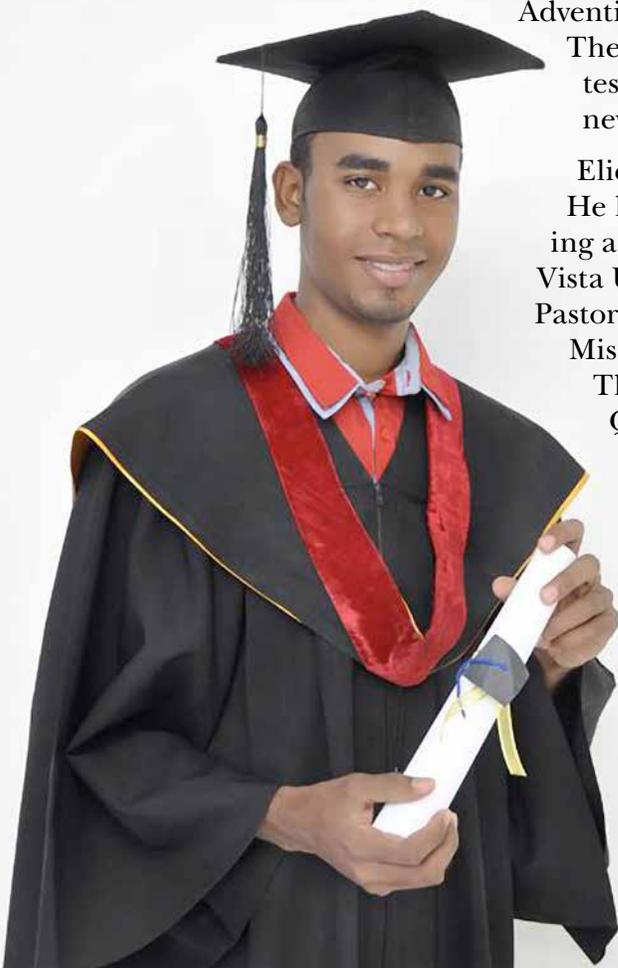
They have assigned him to a pastoral position near the city of Quesaltenango. They wanted him to start the first of July, but before he can go he must finish a seminar that is required by the Mexican government. He is expecting to be back in Guatemala by September 1.

This past May, Sharon and Timothy, two of our young people from India, graduated with Theology degrees from Spicer College. Sharon is our first young lady to complete a degree in this field of study. She is well-respected. With the assistance of a sponsor, she plans to pursue a master's degree.

A little over four years ago, we featured Timothy in the May 2010 Que Pasa. You may recall that as a young child, Timothy was orphaned. He made his home at the train station.



[Sharon](#)



[Huridis at graduation](#)

Living by the Word

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. Heb 13:16 (ESV)

One day, Mr. Raj, a kind teacher from the school adjacent to the DEWS Sweet Home Children's Village was passing through the train station. He noticed Timothy, and after finding out his name Mr. Raj inquired, "What are you doing here in the station all by yourself?"

Timothy replied, "I stay here. I have nowhere else to go. I work cleaning the trains, and people sometimes give me some money. I sometimes find food to eat that people have left."

Timothy didn't know the names of his parents, his family name or the name of his village. The train station had become his home, and he had lived this life longer than he could remember.



— Timothy

Mr. Raj asked Timothy if he would like to live in a real home. Timothy nodded yes enthusiastically. Mr. Raj took Timothy to the DEWS Sweet Home that your donations help to support. Lilly Kaligithi, the director, welcomed Timothy into the Sweet Home family and mothered him as her own child.

Over the years, Timothy grew into a fine young man under the watchful care of Lilly and the staff at the children's village. He thrived in his home life and school life and was chosen as president of his high school graduating class. And now, four years later, he once again has passed another milestone earning his degree in Theology. Like Sharon, with the help of a sponsor, he also plans to study towards a master's degree.

Let me underscore this, your investment in these kids make stories like this possible. You may not be able to do the "mothering" or "fathering" that our skilled program staff does each day. However, your prayer and financial support are critical success factors for the children.

As these young people continue their education or begin their pastoral careers, many of their "brothers and sisters" are following in their footsteps – eager to learn, eager to prepare themselves to lead productive lives. Many of you have given sacrificially for many years to help these orphan children. They are grateful for their sponsors and donors who make it possible for them to follow their dreams.

As a new school year starts, please know that your investment in ICC children and their educational pursuits are paying dividends. You make this ministry of rescuing and restoring orphan children possible for young people like Huridis, Eliel, Sharon and Timothy. On behalf of the children, thank you for your continued support.

In His Service, For His Kids,

Kent Greve

International Development Director

P.S. Currently, the resources allocated for advanced education is not sufficient for the need. Please consider sponsoring a child and helping to further their education. Call Doug at 800-422-7729 for more details.

You did it!

First, and most importantly, ICC wants to offer our heartfelt thanks to all of you who supported our matching grant campaign. With your help we've gathered the full \$200,000 we were challenged to raise! Your contributions will now be matched by the group who's original proposition created this opportunity.

So many special folks joined in the effort to meet this challenge. ICC feels truly blessed by your generosity. The \$247,022 you donated, along



with the matching funds, has become part of Alcyon's Angel Fund, the 'lifeboat' for ICC's project budgets. When donations fall short of the children's budget, we will have this reserve fund to bridge the shortfall.

Without you, the ministry that is ICC would not be possible. It is your invaluable aid that provides the core structure for ICC's endeavor on behalf of "His Kids." Thank you so much for your help and selfless, dedicated efforts in saving lives.

The Congo Container arrives safely!

We've received our first few photos from ICC Congo showing the arrival and unloading of the container. Désiré Murhima, the ICC-Congo project administrator, sent these photos so you could see that the container had made it to its destination. Désiré also sent his thanks to all of you for your kind generosity to the children of Patmos.

Here are some excerpts from Désiré's letter:

"Friday, 20 June, 2014 was an extraordinary and memorable day different from other days because the grace and power of God have been exhibited. That day, the container spent the night inside the fence of ICC-PROLASA offices. On Sunday morning, the container was taken to the offices of



ICC-Congo. Both the staff of ICC-PROLASA, as well as our children from Goma, had been told one week before about the unloading of the container.

"Everybody partook in the task of unloading the container with commitment and joy because the container has been awaited for many months. Since we did not have enough space to store the contents of the container, we rented three vehicles... to get the goods down the harbor.

"In the name of Patmos Children's Village, I present my sincere thanks and gratefulness of the charity manifested by the American donors towards us. May God provide you with abundant richness, good health, peace of mind and the Kingdom."

*Désiré Murhima,
ICC Congo project administrator*