



December 18, 2004

Dear Family member:

At Christmas time we reflect on our lives and our families as they return home. We see how everyone has grown over the year and we see and hear about the changes that have taken place in everyone's life.

It is at this Season of Christmas that we gather together to celebrate the 1st gift ever given, a child. This whole season is focused on getting something for your family or friends. All are excited and hopeful for the coming day.

When I think about the child that God gave I think about the change that came to a couple, making them a family. And I remember how each of my own children changed and made us into a family. And the joy that comes from being together for the holidays.

This year in **Serving Our World** I want to share what we together have been able to accomplish. You and **Serving Our World** have helped hundreds of children that I believe have become a part of the **SOW** family.

In Thailand and East Timor there are over 250 children in each location that have been fed, clothed and cared for in the last year. We believe these precious children have been placed in our care and have become our family members.

Now during this Season of Christmas help us show these boys and girls we are so happy that they are part of our international family! We may not live in their country but we want to celebrate with them in a tangible way.

We have special days planned in each country with programs of singing, party time, games, gifts, new t-shirts to be given out and food! Won't you join us in celebrating Christmas across the borders and touch these beautiful children, letting them know they are family!

So give a gift to one of our **SOW** family this season!

Have a Merry Christmas from all of us!

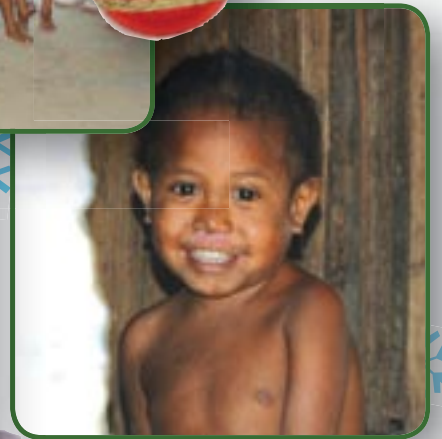
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# 2004 Family Photo Album



What a great year looking back to see the lives we together have touched. Now entering the season let's do our best for the 500 children that have become our extended family.

