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Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

What was the best gift you received this last Christmas? Was it jewelry? A DVD? An Apple iPhone? For hundreds of east central African people, the best gift they received this past Christmas season was the chance to hear the gospel of Jesus Christ for the very first time.

Now, they will experience Resurrection Sunday with new meaning for the very first time. Rather than just another day, March 23rd will represent the day that Jesus defeated sin and death and left behind an empty tomb. I get so excited when I think about the joy that saving faith must bring to people in Tanzania, Malawi, Southern Sudan, East Congo, and Uganda who never knew it before.

When you support a Here's Life two-person mission team, you provide the opportunity for entire villages to hear the gospel through the JESUS Film and the personal testimonies of the team members. Each team will visit \_\_\_\_\_ villages in a month. In December alone, \_\_\_\_\_ people were able to hear the gospel, making the total for 2007 \_\_\_\_\_ people.

Our teams already know the language and culture of the people they serve. Many of our team members were led to Christ by our other teams. This is hands-on evangelism, and we can't do anything without you. You can ensure that \_\_\_\_\_ people will hear the gospel in 2008.

We are looking forward to using two new tools that the Lord has provided. The first is the "Proclaimer" from "Faith Comes By Hearing". It is a radio-like device with a microchip containing Scriptures in the native languages of the people; the chip will not erase or wear out. The rechargeable solar battery will play for 15 hours at a time and can be recharged enough times to play the entire New Testament more than 1,000 times. We currently have 100 Proclaimers in use by groups of 15-40 in Tanzania.

Another tool is the "Church of the Light" solar light. Many African villages have no electricity, which means that the only opportunity for fellowship and discipleship is in daylight. However, there is often no time during the day, so scriptural study is neglected. The "Church of the Light" solar light allows new believers to gather at night. One church's attendance grew from 4 to 40 simply because they had a light! In the next few months, will be sending 100 lights to Uganda, and even more to Tanzania.

That is some pretty amazing news isn't it! I wanted to let you know so you can be praying for our Here's Life missionary teams as they continue to share the good news with their neighbors. One more thing; plan are underway to increase our teams from 44 to \_\_\_\_\_ by the end of 2008. Each team costs \$XXXX.XX to start and \$XXXX.XX each subsequent year. It's a lot of work, but we're excited about the possibilities for the gospel.

Please pray for our teams, pray for the new churches started in East Central Africa, and pray about how you can continue in your partnership with Here's Life.

Thank you, and may God richly bless you,

Victor P. Smith  
President