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Hello Friends of Give2GiveHope,

We hope winter has been good to you and you've enjoyed the mild weather as much as we have. Even with less snow than usual, we are still looking forward more daylight and some green in our world... spring is almost here!

We're really excited to share the news that Ralph and Aleda Gilmore (and their son Trey) will be heading to Honduras in June of this year as our first Give2GiveHope staff. We have been very blessed by our volunteer coordinators in Honduras the last eight years, but our programs have grown to the point where it's critical to get some 'feet on the ground' in Honduras who can be dedicated to ensuring our programs run smoothly and we're able to meet the needs of the children consistently. The Gilmores have been to Honduras four times on various trips with Give2GiveHope and their church – Ogemaw Hills Free Methodist – and have felt called to serve there full time. We're blessed to have them joining our team on a 'permanent' basis and look forward to how they'll help take Give2GiveHope to the next level.

Last June we took our largest team yet – 19 people in total – to Honduras for our Mission Experience trip, VisionCatcher 2015. We installed water filters, completed our biennial child registration (over 500 children registered), constructed a sidewalk around our vocational school and hosted our first dental clinic (lots of patients seen). It was a great trip with some great people and we were able to minister to the community in many different ways. Our next trip is anticipated in 2017 and if you'd like to join us on that trip, send us a note so we can get you on our prospect list.

We want to make you aware of a super-easy way you can support Give2GiveHope and the children in Honduras. Amazon.com has a non-profit web portal that donates 0.5% of your purchases to the ministry of your choice. Just visit <u>https://smile.amazon.com</u> to do your shopping and be sure to choose Vision 434 as your charity... from that point forward, the donations will be made automatically (last month we received \$10.34 just from people shopping!) Your purchases will provide food, clean water, medical care and education for children in desperate need.

Give2GiveHope will not be sending a full-color annual report booklet this year – we've decided to save our resource and create reports to update our full donor list every other year. However, we know it's important to share with our donors some of the great accomplishments God has allowed us to accomplish this last year and let you know how your donations were used. Here's the breakdown of all the donations we received in 2015 and what ministries we allocated them to:

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	INCOME	<u>EXPENSE</u>
Child Sponsorship	\$52,200	\$49,852
Child Education	\$6,552	\$5,760
Child Clothing (Flip Flops)	\$111	\$503
Child & Volunteer Gifts *	\$900	\$255
Project Clean H2Ope	\$2,215	\$4,950
Vocational (Trade) School	\$118	\$5,600
Mission Experience Scholarships	\$20,471	\$21,536
Other Program Expenses		\$1,170
In-Country Staff Support	\$750	\$3,000
Fundraising	\$0	\$0
Miscellaneous Donations / Expenses	\$13,495	\$4,011
2015 Totals	\$96,812	\$96,637
Retained Earnings	\$175	

**92.7%** of expenditures in 2015 were allocated directly to programs that benefited impoverished children and their families.

**7.3%** of expenditures in 2015 were allocated to operational expenses\*\* including our first year of support allocated to the building of in-country staff housing for our first Field Directors – Ralph and Aleda Gilmore. We anticipate the Gilmores being on the field in June of 2016 and have budgeted to continue their support. The Gilmores will be implementing and administrating the Give2GiveHope programs year-round in Honduras and facilitating short-term mission experiences for Give2GiveHope and other organizations visiting the mission.

\* Gift funds received for birthdays in 2015 were not distributed because our volunteer staff was not in-country during the annual Children's' Day celebration. Surplus funds will be dispersed in 2016.

\*\* Operations include PayPal and foreign exchange fees, wire transfer fees, marketing, postage, printing, legal and professional fees, fundraising, administrative travel, supplies and other general expenses.

In closing, we want to once again thank you for your generosity and compassion and support in 2015. Your donations make a significant difference in the life of the children and the community we serve in Honduras. Sometimes the difference is as critical as the difference between life and death. We can't thank you enough for being part of God's work.

Sincerely,

Ken Hayes Founder & Director, Give2GiveHope