

CHILDREN'S *Lifeline*

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Filling Hearts with Joy through
Bundles of Love



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BIRTHDAYS IN THE UNITED STATES are normally a big deal, especially for our children. Most people throw big extravagant parties. There's even a TV show called Sweet Sixteen all about lavish expensive 16th birthday parties. That wouldn't happen in Haiti. In fact **many children don't even know how old they are.** Such is the case for Nota. She is a beautiful young girl that doesn't know how old she is or even her last name. "It's just Nota," she told me.

Nota lives just down the road from the Lifeline compound here in the village of La Digue. She lives with her mom, dad and three other siblings in one small room that her mother rents. Nota and her family came from the mountains three years ago and has lived in La Digue since then. Her father doesn't have a job and her mother is a gardener. They barely survive on the few vegetables and fruits that her mother is able to sell in the market.



This lovely child was the recipient of one of our love bundles a few weeks ago. She was beyond ecstatic. The love bundle wasn't just a bunch of random things wrapped nicely to her, it was sheer joy. That love bundle was a glimpse into a world she rarely sees; a world of possibility and hope.

Nota received her first box of crayons in her love bundle. She now loves to color. Coloring gives her a chance to be creative. It provides a time for her to escape from her family's heartbreaking situation. For a moment she may forget about the hunger pains in her stomach. For a moment she has peace. For a moment she has joy.




People who receive love bundles are given things such as hygiene items, clothing, pencils, pencil sharpeners, crayons, coloring books, sewing kits, transistor radios, wind up alarm clocks, and always a jar of peanut butter. Love bundles are a wonderful way to help out the impoverished in Haiti. **They are so grateful to receive such a needed gift.** We may not be able to take care of all their needs, but we can bring joy to their hearts through a love bundle!



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On the back of this newsletter you will find the instructions on making a love bundle. We need all the love bundles that we can possibly make this year. **Could you please make it a point to share a gift of love with a Haitian child?**



On the Back... 
Details on How You can Get Involved by sending Love Bundles



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Clay City, KY 40312

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Love Bundles

LOVE BUNDLE INSTRUCTIONS

1. Follow the guidelines of things to pack inside.
2. Lay a large towel (**please use a towel with the dimensions of 24 x 44 inches**) out flat. Place the items in the middle of the towel and then fold up the towel to hold the items inside. Pin the towel together with large safety pins, and then place the towel in a plastic shopping bag (Walmart, Target, etc.).

3. Make an **address label** (write your name, address and phone number on a piece of paper) and enclose a check for **\$5.00 for each bundle packed**. Place the address label inside the plastic bag. **Please remember that EVERY BUNDLE must have a completed address label.**

For more than one bundle, photocopy the address label and place a copy in each bag. One check may then be placed in an envelope for the entire number of bundles prepared. If you are sending several bundles, one check for each bundle shipped will do (10 bundles x \$5 = \$50 check). The \$5.00 covers all shipping costs from our warehouse in Kentucky to the distribution warehouse in Haiti. **The shipping fee must be included for all bundles sent or your bundle cannot be sent to the mission in Haiti.** Make your check payable to LIFELINE.

4. You may ship the bundle via U.P.S. or U.S. Mail to:

Children's Int'l Lifeline • 194 Sunset Drive • Clay City, KY 40312

5. BUNDLES MUST BE IN KENTUCKY BY: NOVEMBER 26

DROP-OFF LOCATIONS:

Donald Curtis
194 Sunset Drive
Clay City, KY 40312
(606) 663-3459

Kathy Caudill
Newark, OH
(740) 323-4485
Northern Ohio Area
(Call for Shipment Date for this location)

Ken Evans
Carmel, IN
(317) 846-4086
Indiana Area

Arnold Lemke
16106 Brookwood Dr.
Buchanan, MI 49107
(269) 695-2300

Rodney White
Middletown, OH
(513) 267-3835
Southern Ohio Area

Matthew January
49 North Main Street
Granite Falls, NC
28630
(828) 612-0011
North Carolina Area

LOVE BUNDLE SUGGESTIONS

Use your imagination and have fun. We would like for you to pick items from each category so the love bundles will be similar. **PLEASE INCLUDE A JAR OF PEANUT BUTTER IN EACH BUNDLE.** Here are a few suggestions:

Clothing

- Ball Cap
- Dress Socks
- T-Shirts
- Underwear
- Hair Accessories
- Clothing (see note below)

Toys

- Balls
- Crayons
- Slinky
- Jacks
- Jump Rope
- Marbles
- Coloring Book
- Small Doll
- Stuffed Animal
- Sunglasses
- Toy Car
- Yo-Yo
- Backpacks
- Water Resistant Watch
- Deflated Soccer Ball (with pump)

Household Items

- Hand Soap
- Perfume
- Sippy Cups
- Hairbrush
- Shampoo
- Toothbrush
- Perfume
- Toothpaste
- Towel
- Washcloth
- Wind-Up Alarm Clock
- Transistor Radio (batteries)
- Flashlight (batteries)
- Small First Aid Kit
- Small Sewing Kits
- Comb (Large Tooth)
- Body Lotion
- Peanut Butter in each bundle

School Supplies

- Calculator
- Markers
- Pencils
- Pens
- Pencil Sharpener

DO NOT SEND: Used clothing, toy guns, knives or war related items, money, your address, perishable items, food or candy, medicines, or breakable items.

NOTE: We are asking that you NOT SEND any food (except a jar of peanut butter) or candy because this results in a problem with drawing bugs and rodents into our warehouses. In purchasing clothing, if you are fixing a box for a two year old, then purchase a size 2 - a seven year old, then purchase a size 7, and so on. Please do not send winter or heavy clothing, as the climate in Haiti is very, very warm. Shampoo and conditioner or any other liquids should be well taped at the opening and then placed in a plastic ziploc bag to help prevent leakage.