

# Christmas Blessings

LILY OF THE VALLEY ORPHANAGES  
*Aldama & Extension Guachochi, Chihuahua, México*



## MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Today is a cold, windy, December day here in Aldama. We live on a high plateau beneath the Sierra Madre mountains, which makes me ask today, "If it's this cold here, how much colder must it be up in the mountains?" I've seen the Indian people in their crude huts with gaping holes in the walls and it reminds me of Jesus, the mighty and glorious Son of God, who was born in a cold, windy stable with the same gaping holes in the walls and smelly animals. After all, a manger (setting aside our cute images of toy baby Jesus beneath the Christmas tree) is a food trough for farm animals.

The Bible tells us, "Have this mind in you, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who being in the form of God did not cling to his rights as God, but emptied himself being born in the form of a servant." This is the love which Nohema and our staff have shown, going up into these cold mountains, and we, too, need to ask ourselves how we can help show this same love to these children and all those around all us.

A group is coming to help us from Michigan on the 28 of this month, whom will be going up to the mountains. Due to the lack of rain this year, around 80 percent of the harvest was lost leaving a food shortage, and of course, with poor housing there, there is always need for blankets. Along with several of the workers from the orphanage they will be collecting blankets and food to bring to the people. We hope to be able to provide a blanket and a box of food for a thousand families. We will also be showing the Jesus film and presenting the gospel in the Tarahumara language, so we long for prayers for the Lord's provision and guidance. If you would like to support the project financially, it will be deeply appreciated. We send you all our love and smiles. Merry Christmas!

### How can you support us?

If you feel lead by the Lord to support this ministry, donations can be made to our San Diego office, marked Lirio Chihuahua. Thank you!

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**Our Mission:** Showing God's love as a Father to the fatherless, seeing children's lives changed by this love and then sending these children out to serve the rest of the world.

Because of God's love and the generosity of people like you, we have been able to reach out to hundreds of children, changing their lives, encouraging dreams and creating men and women of the Lord, with a future where they always strive for excellence.

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