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Greetings Dear Friends and Loved Ones,

During this season of thanksgiving, celebrating the birth of Christ, and beginning a new year, I thank God that He has given you the resources and the incentive to partner with us. I celebrate your words of encouragement, your generous financial support, and your faithful prayers. I eagerly await the new task before me of serving the orphans in Africa and providing young girls the opportunity to become godly contributors, not fatal statistics. Because of your willingness to give of your time, talents, and money, I am 65% funded! Thank you.

During the past few weeks, I have been busy with fund raising and preparing for the move. Each speaking engagement has been a wonderful blessing. I have also seen the creative side of my friends emerge in their fund raising efforts: from garage sales, to pledges of sales commissions, to donations from funds for a trip that could not be taken—the Lord has blessed each one.

I am also still cleaning up from the hurricanes. One day, during a quiet time of prayer and meditation, I was especially saddened by the loss of so many trees. What once had been my “refuge in the woods” now seemed to be just an exposed piece of land with a house on it. I began to wonder what my “home” in Africa will be like. (It is very doubtful that I will have trees and woods!) Then, as I read Psalm 91, I felt the comfort I needed, “You don’t need woods when you have My wings.”

“He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart” (Psalm 91:4, NIV).

I love the imagery of the Psalms; may we continue to dwell with the Most High!

I will be in San Antonio, Texas, for training the first week of January and hope to firm up the transition details. My goal is to be in Africa by the end of January, or February at the latest. Of course, I will submit to God’s perfect timing. Since Rafiki is supported 100% by charitable donations, prior to leaving for the field I need to have raised my support for two years, in donations and/or pledges. If you are considering partnering with us on this mission, please fill out the enclosed card and send it to Rafiki. If you have any questions, please contact me, and I will be happy to share more information with you.

My immediate prayer concerns are for the remainder of the funds to come in, the logistics of the move to go smoothly, and a trustworthy renter for my home.

I have been truly touched by your response and with sincere gratitude I pray the following scripture for each of you: *“I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith” (Ephesians 3:16-17a, NIV).*

Thank you and may God richly bless you!

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