

Dear Friend:

ANN LANDERS SAID IT!

In her syndicated column of November 30 Ann Landers -- one of the nation's foremost newspaper writers -- carried this letter:



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## ASK ANN LANDERS

### Teen Wants To Be Adoptive Parent

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I'm a 17-year-old high school senior who read in a magazine that \$10 a month will support an abandoned Korean child. The magazine piece said the child's case history will be sent and the child will write to his adoptive parents.

I have a fairly generous allowance and I do baby-sitting weekends. Would I qualify even though I am only 17? Please tell me where to write if I am eligible. Thank you.  
WANT TO HELP

DEAR WANT TO: Whenever I hear someone putting down today's teen-agers, I like to haul out a letter like yours and show them how wrong they are.

There's no age limit on this adoptive plan. Write to Compassion, 7774 W. Irving Park Rd., Chicago 60634. In Canada the address is Box 880, Blenheim, Ontario. It's a wonderful thing to do and I admire you for wanting to do it.

### Driver With A Death Wish

DEAR ANN LANDERS: I have a young friend who constantly He is bright and and and has



We are thankful that thousands of thoughtful, kind-hearted people like Ann Landers say that sponsoring a hungry, destitute child in Korea is "a wonderful thing to do...." To feed a starving child, to provide warm clothing and shelter for an innocent victim of war and poverty is a wonderful thing to do. It brings blessing to a love-starved child, and it is a richly rewarding experience for the sponsor. Like many others you too can share this rewarding experience.



"We enjoy our little Korean orphan very much. The letters we receive are so interesting. And, we know the children are in good Christian care. May God bless you in all your fine work."

Mr. and Mrs. D. B.  
Mendota, Illinois



"You can't imagine how our Sunday School class has been blessed by sponsoring our Korean orphan. We think of her and talk of her as if she were our own. Thank you for the privilege of caring for her."

A. H. Sunday School Class  
Ashtabula, Ohio

MANY SPONSORS HAVE PERSONALLY EXPERIENCED THAT IT IS FAR MORE BLESSED TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE. MRS. W. F. SPENCE OF ROCHESTER, NEW YORK WROTE TO TELL OF HER JOY IN KNITTING MITTENS FOR THE NEEDY CHILDREN IN COMPASSION HOMES IN KOREA. HER LETTER IS TYPICAL OF HUNDREDS WE RECEIVE EACH YEAR FROM HAPPY SPONSORS.



"I have had such a wonderful experience! After I had sent 360 pairs of mittens in 1964, I looked at my yarn supply and thought that with care, I might be able to send 300 pairs again in 1965. But in 1965 I sent 400 pairs and my supply on hand was larger than the year before. Now I am knitting for 1966. I hope to have 450 pairs to send and already it looks as if there would be enough yarn for another year. God surely is watching over those little orphans and using me and the many friends who send me yarn to knit. Altogether, I have been able to send 1,750 pairs of mittens."

"The trip to Korea was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. If there were the least doubt as to the great need before a person went on the trip, there certainly couldn't have been after the trip. My only regret is I wish I could have spoken Korean. The children were so responsive."

Nan Reeveley  
Youngstown, Ohio



Her  
prayers  
answered

"I would like to thank you for the opportunity to sponsor a Korean child. I can't begin to express my feelings of joy....I feel that God has answered my prayers. Although I am only 22, I have wanted to 'adopt' a Korean child for many years, and now I can hardly believe it is true."

Mrs. S. M., Dos Palos, California

The Korean War brought economic disaster to that land. Poverty, hunger, and human suffering beyond description followed. Even now poverty and despair daily thrust additional children into COMPASSION'S 172 Christian Homes. Of the 22,000 children under our care, more than 5,000 are still without sponsors. They come hungry, homeless, sick, lonely....We cannot turn them away. Just imagine one of these little ones coming to your door!

"Having recently returned from a 14-month tour of duty in Korea, I can speak first hand of the needs among the Korean orphans. In my opinion, COMPASSION is performing a very worthwhile service in operating more than 170 orphanages in Korea. THE CHILDREN OF KOREA NEED ALL THE LOVE AND COMPASSION WE CAN SHOWER UPON THEM."

A1/c Peter A. Broehl  
Ft. Campbell, Kentucky



What does COMPASSION mean to Korea? It means food, clothing, shelter, and the opportunity for a Christian education to more than 22,000 children. It means that lonely, love-starved boys and girls have the opportunity to enjoy the hope and security for which every child longs. It means that orphaned and abandoned children can now know the love of an American sponsor -- a "mommy" or "daddy" who cares for them. Don't you agree the COMPASSION sponsorship program is well worthwhile?

During the past fifteen years COMPASSION has cared for more than 60,000 destitute children. Hundreds of these are now ministers of the Gospel, lawyers, teachers, and government leaders. In 1965 the founder of COMPASSION was called to be with the Lord. At this time the President of the Republic of Korea sent the following cable to his widow, Mrs. Everett Swanson:



"I HAVE LEARNED WITH DEEP SORROW THE PASSING OF YOUR BELOVED HUSBAND, REVEREND EVERETT F. SWANSON, AND AM MOVED TO EXTEND DEEP SYMPATHY AND SINCERE CONDOLENCES. ALTHOUGH HE IS GONE, THE BRILLIANT ACHIEVEMENTS HE HAS MADE FOR KOREAN PEOPLE, PARTICULARLY ORPHANS, WILL ALWAYS LIVE DEEP IN OUR THOUGHTS. MY THOUGHTS ARE WITH YOU IN THE SAD BEREAVEMENT WHICH HAS COME TO US ALL." Signed, Park Chung Hee, President of the Republic of Korea.

COMPASSION enjoys highest recognition by government leaders in the United States and Korea.

COMPASSION'S President, Reverend Henry Harvey (left) recently met with the Prime Minister of Korea, Chang Il Kwon (right) to discuss how COMPASSION can better serve the needs of the Korean children.



"I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for your kind heart for me....I will be trying to be a fine Christian who praises the Lord in life."

Byung Hui,  
Orphan



"Thank you for adopting me as your son and promising to take care of the cost of my education. Your wonderful letter gave me big courage and strength to go forward and made me convinced of the love of our Lord. It was quite reassuring to hear that you will always back me with your love."

Yoon Suk Ha,  
Student

"THE SUPPORT SPONSORS LIKE YOU HAVE SENT TO THE ORPHANAGE HAS MADE US WHAT WE ARE TODAY. WE ENJOY GOD'S BLESSINGS EVERY DAY AND THANK THE SPONSORS."

Bang Duck Lee,  
Orphanage Superintendent



You'll find sponsorship is a blessing and privilege, not an obligation. To become a "mommy" or "daddy" or "big brother" or "sister" to a child who has known nothing but hate and poverty is not a duty -- it is a treasured opportunity. Can't you just imagine the joy of personally exchanging letters and small gifts with your own "adopted" child in Korea? Why, it's just like having another member in the family!

DEAR FRIEND, ON BEHALF OF THE ORPHANED AND ABANDONED CHILDREN OF KOREA WE APPEAL TO YOU. THIS NEED IS AN URGENT ONE. IN PROSPEROUS AMERICA IT IS DIFFICULT TO REALIZE MOST OF THE WORLD IS IN DESPAIR -- HUNGRY, POVERTY-STRICKEN AND DESTITUTE. YET, THIS IS THE PLIGHT OF THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN IN KOREA.



NOW, THE DECISION IS YOURS! YES, THERE IS A STAR RESERVED FOR YOU TOO...A STAR OF JOY...A STAR OF BLESSING...A STAR OF RICH REWARD. FOR ONLY \$10 A MONTH (JUST PENNIES A DAY) YOU CAN KNOW THE BLESSING OF SUPPORTING A BOY OR GIRL IN KOREA. WHY NOT CHOOSE THE CHILD YOU WISH TO SPONSOR FROM AMONG THOSE SHOWN ON THE ENCLOSED SHEET...OR, LET US SELECT ONE FOR YOU?

JESUS LOOKED ON THE NEEDY PEOPLE OF HIS DAY AND SAID, "...I WILL HAVE COMPASSION ON THE MULTITUDE...I WILL NOT SEND THEM AWAY." WE APPEAL TO YOU TO LOOK WITH COMPASSION UPON THE CHILDREN OF KOREA, AND SPONSOR ONE OF THESE LITTLE ONES TODAY. YOU WILL BE RICHLY BLESSED!

SINCERELY IN CHRIST FOR KOREAN CHILDREN,

*Henry Harvey*  
PRESIDENT

*P.S. Free! Because sponsors are urgently needed for more than 5,000 unsponsored boys and girls in Compassion homes, we want to send you a small gift direct from Korea for choosing a child now. To receive your Free authentic Korea baby shoes without delay, Properly mark and return the enclosed envelope. Do it now. Don't delay. You can bring hope, love, good food, warm clothing and Christian training to a needy child this very day.*

