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2015 Thanksgiving Appeal

Dear Friends of Concern America,

Warm greetings and gratitude to everyone reading this letter. Thank you for being part of the Concern America community as a recent volunteer, donor, field volunteer, or even all three! Without you, Concern America's work would not have been possible this year.

The purpose of our annual Thanksgiving Appeal is to express this gratitude, and also to invite you to consider making a year-end gift.

Concern America works in isolated, materially impoverished, often war-torn areas where there is no accessible health care, clean water, schools, or enough income to support a dignified life. Yet, the organization knows that **every community has an incredible resource that is too often ignored in development programs: the people themselves.**

Every donation, at any level, enables Concern America to train and accompany these individuals and their communities to provide their own health care, build their own water systems, run their own schools, and raise their monthly income. To make this and much more possible, it costs Concern America only...

- \$1 for every health consult provided by local Health Promoter Practitioner (for their training and accompaniment);
- \$40 for a week-long training course for a Midwife;
- \$100 to build a fuel-efficient, healthy stove, together with a family;
- \$250-\$500 per family for a community water system;
- \$1,000 to fully support one of our long-term Field Volunteers for an entire month (stipend, housing, health insurance, and transportation).

These are just a few of the many examples of what your support will mean in more than 1,000 communities and with the 4,000+ people Concern America accompanies in Mexico, Guatemala, Colombia, and Mozambique.

If you are considering a special gift at this time, or if you are a regular donor and/or have already given what you are able this year, we are deeply grateful.

Many thanks for "Growing a Global Heart" with Concern America.

With gratitude and in peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John Straw".

John Straw
Executive Director

