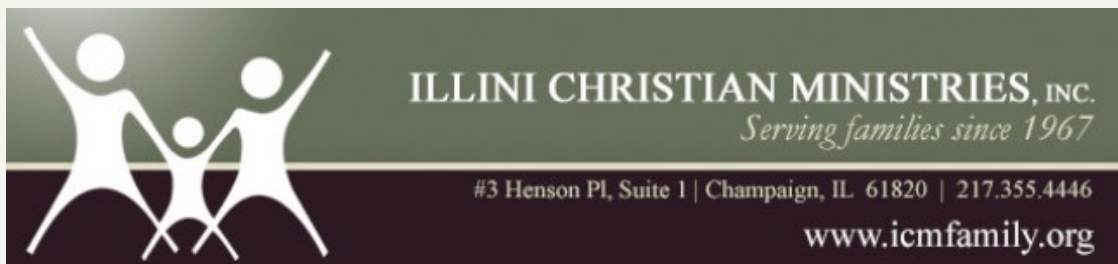


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December 2017 ICM Connection

It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year - Because of You!



Thank you to each person that contributed to this year's Christmas project! We are overwhelmed and humbled by your generosity. As this month begins, we will be assembling gift sacks **stuffed** with toys, books, art supplies, etc. for each child served by ICM in 2017. In addition, we will be giving each placing parent a bag full of self-care items - all assembled and gifted by our amazing donors.

The real fun begins when our staff delivers these gifts in the weeks leading up to Christmas. In most cases, these gifts are the only ones these families will receive this season. Through your generosity, the families we've served can experience the joy of Christmas without sacrificing their already scarce resources that are needed for food, clothing, and shelter. Thank you for your gifts of encouragement and love!

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Looking Ahead to 2018

Are you looking for someone to speak at your church, small group, or community event about adoption, biblical hospitality, or child welfare deflection? We would be honored to partner with you. Contact our office at 217-355-4446 or director@icmfamily.org to schedule one of our staff to participate in your event. We look forward to partnering with you in 2018!

Praises and Prayer Requests

- Praise to God for the continued relationships that families have built with the families they have served. For many, these relationships have spanned weeks, months, and even years!
- Pray for the upcoming Christmas project, that all of the moms and kids will know how deeply they are loved.
- Pray for those who are without a family or support network during this holiday season. May God bring miraculous connections into their lives that will extend into the coming year.
- Pray for adoptive families waiting to be placed with a child and for families who are in the middle of the challenging transition/adjustment period following being placed with a child.

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