



John,

I am glad you liked the picture of the 2 year old orphans. I am actually a professional photographer and I have had several exhibitions in the states and in Africa. While I was in Zambia I had an exhibition at the largest gallery in Lusaka. Incidentally, all the proceeds from the exhibition goes to help the people of Zambia. There was a big turnout and I was very pleased. The American Embassy wants to do a feature exhibition at the American Center in Lusaka. We are still working on details. I say all this to say, the photo of the 2 year old orphans is one of my post popular pictures. I sell postcards in Zambia to tourist (they are in most of the tourist shops in the country) and the orphans is the 2nd highest seller. After my current exhibition the leading newspaper in the country did a full page article on the exhibition. Here is an excerpt about the picture of the orphans.

"Some of Ellie's newer pictures nevertheless, are images that stop ones thoughts if not emotions dead in their tracks. Take Two-Year-Old Orphans, The Haven – Namwianga (2007) for instance. It depicts eleven toddlers, orphaned as the caption suggests standing in a veranda.

All the tots appear healthy, some of them even waving at the camera, most of them are even dressed in diapers, products that are not exactly affordable to the average Zambian parent. So in other words whoever is taking care of these children appears to be doing a good job.

However, what actually stirring the emotions is the fact that it is possible nowadays to have eleven 2-year-old orphans in the same place at the same time. How did their collective 22 parents die? Did they all die at once? Was it a plane crash or a freak accident of sorts? Or is it indeed the deadly scourge, HIV/AIDS that robbed these lovable children of their parents.

It is no joke that these are difficult times where there are seems to be more orphans than there children with parents. But then such is the power of photography or art in general, its ability to freeze and immortalize's moments, periods past, whether they may be dark chapters or cheerful ones."

From: John L. Kachelman, Jr. [mailto:jkachelman@centurytel.net]
Sent: Wednesday, March 12, 2008 1:24 PM
To: 'Ellie Hamby'
Subject: RE: Container Report

Hi Ellie,
I just wanted to thank you for the report. The picture of the 2-year old children is precious. Do you have that in a higher resolution? If so I would love to have it, or if you are going to put it in with pictures on a CD from the container that will be fine and I will get it from there.
Thank you!
John

From: Ellie Hamby [mailto:ellieha@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2008 10:54 PM
To: 'John L. Kachelman, Jr.'
Subject: Container Report

John,

I have attached the report for the container. Please let me know if this is okay. This FTP program is a wonderful program that is indeed getting the supplies in the hands of the people that need it the most. We feel honored to have been partners in seeing that the needy people in Zambia are helped.

I appreciate your hard work in making this happen.

Thanks for caring,

Eleanor Hamby

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