

# Tres Islas Orphanage Fund

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Now in our 28<sup>th</sup> year serving the children in Mazatlán's orphanages!

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The five letters below are written to each of you wonderful Tres Islas Orphanage Fund donors, with gratitude and appreciation by some of the youngsters your donations support through the Tres Islas Orphanage Fund. These are Nalleli's, Gloria's, Aida's, Jesus Alberto's and Luis Enrique's messages to you on behalf of all the 135 youngsters in the five Mazatlán orphanages you support. . .

The following is the speech Nalleli gave upon her graduation from Teacher Gabino's Whitney Academy for English. The Whitney Academy is the most respected English academy in Mexico. This year, Nalleli will also graduate from the university with a degree in English. Her graduation from the Whitney Academy, along with her English degree from the university, will enable Nalleli to teach English anywhere in Mexico without further certification exams. Donors, thank you for paying for Nalleli's education in high school, at the Whitney Academy and the university. Here is the result of your support, belief and investment in Nalleli.

*Good evening ladies and gentlemen!*

*Thank you for coming to this graduation ceremony. I am so happy to be here with all of you celebrating the 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Teacher Gabino's Whitney Academy and our graduation ceremony.*

*Today I have many special people whom I want to thank for all their patience and who have been with me during my studies here at the English academy.*



*I am talking about a wonderful teacher, Teacher Gabino, Teacher Jazmin, Teacher Aneel and all the teachers who contributed to my learning English.*

*It is an honor for me to be graduated from this wonderful academy where amazing people work hard every day for one reason - and that reason is to teach students to learn English as a second language.*

*Today I say goodbye to my school but I am taking with me unforgettable memories from my teachers because I still remember those days when every time we would finish a book, we had a little celebration because we were proud of ourselves to pass to the next book.*

*I still remember the days when I asked Teacher Gabino for help and he was always there for me and for all of us - and it was on one of those days when I realized Teacher Gabino has a gift from God - and I'm talking about his patience; that is something that I really admire in him, because if you ask*

*Teacher Gabino the same thing 100 times, he will explain to you the 100 times you ask him, because he is a very good teacher and his objective is for the student to learn English - and here I am - speaking to you in English! I remember the days when we had trouble with lessons, he would always make us complete the sentence; he would always encourage us, and say, "English is very easy." And so, these are the reasons why he is the best teacher I have ever known in my life.*

*And now let me talk a little bit about my family, they are the reason why I am here standing up speaking to you. Please give applause to Madre Velia Morales Moreno. She is the one who took care of me when I was a little girl and she is the main reason why I am here in Mazatlán, so thank you so much, Madre. And also Sister Paula García, she works hard every day to make sure the little children at our home have a good life. Please give her applause. And here with me are my sisters, Gloria and Dulce, and Jesus Alberto, best known as Chuy and Luis Enrique, best known as Luigy. Please give them applause.*

*And finally, let me talk about the people who made my dreams come true. I am talking about Donelle and Tom and the members of the Tres Islas Orphanage Fund. They are the ones who believe in me, the ones that gave me the opportunity to study in this academy. Here I am at my graduation because they were always there for me. When I needed something, I didn't have to worry about my tuition, or my books or anything because they always said to me, "Nalleli, don't worry about the money, Tres Islas will pay for it - you just concentrate on your school." And tonight, I can tell you - I DID it! I am graduating from this academy! And, I want to say thank you so much for your help, thank you so much for always having been there with me and for being with me today. Thank you so much for everything, for believing in me - because I remember the day when Donelle sent me an email telling me how proud she and all of Tres Islas were of me, and she told me that she believes in me. . .those words changed my mind - and I felt very proud of me too! She encouraged me to continue studying. Those are the words that improved my self-confidence, and I began to believe in me and to feel proud of me - and that is why I am here in front of you, speaking in English with no fear and with no hesitation. I am here because I know who I am and also who I am going to be in the future. So thank you so much for being part of my life, thank you so much for supporting me in my studies and for being the wonderful persons you are.*

*Finally, I would like to finish my speech with my favorite quote. It says, "If you can imagine it, you can achieve it. If you can dream it, you can become it."*

*Thank you so much, Donelle, Tom and Tres Islas donors. . .I love you all so much; you are part of me. . .T H A N K Y O U!!!*

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Hello Tres Islas Donors,

First of all, I want to say that the reason why I am sending these words to you, is to thank you for all the help you have provided me during these years without even knowing me, but I know that God knows why. So thank you.

The way to success is easier when angels like each of you spread your wings and give peace and brotherhood for people who really want to be good people and achieve their purposes and in the future to serve their family and society.

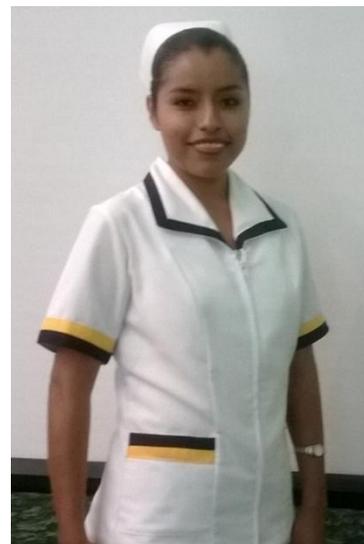
God is so great that I know that he will reward people such as you – who help others when they see that person as a member of their family, like you do. We all need your continued help. There were few opportunities for me when I was born, but with your continued help I know my dreams will come true.

God bless your families and always be with you to continue guiding us on the right way.

P.S. Thank you so much for the uniforms and paying for my college so I can become a nurse.

With great respect and love,

Gloria María Vázquez Ramirez





Tres Islas facilitator Gaudelia with Aida in her chef uniform and Gloria in her nursing uniform.

## GREETINGS DEAR TRES ISLAS DONORS:

I am writing to you to express my most sincere and profound gratitude for the great generosity Tres Islas provides for the children who live at Ciudad de los Niños in Mazatlan. Each of you has demonstrated warmth and friendship to make me feel valued and realize that you are people who are sincerely interested in others.

Today I feel very happy and have a good life and friendship with God for putting such wonderful people like you in my life – who unconditionally give me your support, love and efforts so I can really get ahead in my life.



During this process of me pursuing my dream to become a chef and studying at the university that Tres Islas donations pay for, it has been a valuable experience to me as I witness

everything that I need goes well and each time I have a need, Tres Islas donors follow up and provide for me in the most appropriate way.

And thanks to you who have supported me with my school needs, my uniforms, shoes, materials required at the university so I could facilitate my studies. Every time, your support has come forward to meet my tasks. Also, you provide me food every day, and at Christmas each year, you fill us with joy, nice presents, things we need and a big Christmas dinner.

I am grateful to merciful God that he has been in the heart of each you, and with his infinite goodness, will and knowledge, has guided you to compensate with gestures of kindness to others and that you all are attentive to our needs. I pray God will respond to each of you by multiplying the blessings for you and your families.

Thank you for always helping us and being with us.

Aida Velazquez Ávila  
Mazatlan, Sinaloa, Mexico.

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Attention: Tres Islas Orphanage Fund

Dear friends and benefactors



I direct this letter to you with a warm greeting to give you my thanks. I am very happy, that thanks to you, I am moving forward, as you have provided me with your support that you deliberately give us, and which I appreciate very much. I think none of this life we know and enjoy would have happened if you had not helped us from the beginning.

I thank you for the day this concept born – this idea of giving to those who have the least and continue doing it – that has served all of us so much. I hope more than ever you can continue to help the children who live in this house with their futures so they can be good people, productive for society with good principles. Perhaps they do not understand it all very well

because many are still young but we value your support and effort that you give us.

Let me say that I am very happy because I passed the entrance examination to the university where I am studying the career of a lawyer – thank you for your support – these studies and this career choice are giving me much joy because it will give me more security. I will continue studying much more.

Thank you.

Jesús Carvajal Alberto Morales  
Mazatlan, Sinaloa, Mexico



Greetings Tres Islas Donors!

My name is Luis Enrique, and I live in Ciudad de los Ninos. I am 17 years old and with this letter I would like to thank all and each one of the people that are part of the Tres Islas Orphanage Fund. It is very difficult to express my appreciation in words.

Everything that has allowed the Tres Islas Orphanage Fund help all and each one of us has been truly impressive. I thank God, by having you all in my life, because without you I would not have my daily food, decent clothes that fit and it would not be possible to dress proudly. Thank you for each and every one of the things that you do for us.

Thanks to you I was able to finish my secondary studies, and now I am studying in high school at the Autonomous University of Sinaloa. The subject that most pleases me is English, and these days, I think I'd like to become a licensed English language teacher.

Many thanks also to the donors who helped cover the cost of my eye glasses and my braces, which by the way in this next month, God willing, the dentist may give me an excellent report and will remove the braces.

In truth, I have no words to thank you all for making these important opportunities possible in my life. May God reward you and continue to give you each good health and may you be able to continue to work so that you can continue to support people like us that do not have the economic resources. It is good that there are all these resources from each of you who are an important part of Tres Islas to help those who have the least.

God bless you always.

Luis Enrique Carvajal Morales  
Mazatlán, Sinaloa, Mexico

