

The holiday season – A Gift That Changes the World

Dear Rotarians and friends,



The holiday season approaches once again, bringing with it a time for reflection, hope, and the warmth of community. This is a period when many of us pause to consider those around us and seek ways to give a meaningful gift. This year, I hope we consider a gift that truly changes a child's life permanently – the gift of a Polio-free world.

This period is often dedicated to family and children, but across the globe, children cannot always play and grow freely. Polio still threatens children. Polio is endemic in only two countries. However, the last mile is often the hardest. Right now, as we anticipate a brighter future, we have the opportunity to be part of a great humanitarian effort: the final eradication of Polio.

Rotary's commitment to eradicating Polio is unparalleled. We have been at the forefront of this work for decades, and together we have changed the future for millions of children. As the year draws to a close, we have a unique opportunity to ignite the light of hope for those who need it most.

We can give children the gift of hope.

Every donation to the PolioPlus Fund is a concrete action that enables a healthy future for children. It is a promise of a future without the fear of Polio, without crippling disease, without forgotten dreams.

As we stand on the threshold of the festive season, I encourage all of you to support our PolioPlus work. Every donation helps us move closer to the final victory. I ask you to share this message with your district's clubs and Rotarians – help us create an act of hope that extends far beyond the walls of our own homes.

You can make your donation directly to the PolioPlus Fund here:

<https://my.rotary.org/en/donate>

Let us give the children of the world a gift that signifies freedom, health, and hope for a better tomorrow. This is a gift that lasts forever.

Thank you for your continued commitment and compassion. I wish you and your families a peaceful and rewarding festive season.

Warm regards, Mikko Lindeman EPNC Zone 17

Together, we end polio

