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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

My name is Rosten Crants and I have been a member of The Home Church since my formative years. In 2006, I graduated high school and advanced on to college at Ferris State University. In my two years at Ferris, I have become very involved in one of the ministry groups there. The group is called His House Christian Fellowship and they are a rock-solid group of believers. They have become like family in the short time I have been there and God has used them to bless me greatly.

Through them, I have been presented with an amazing opportunity. This year during spring break I have been given the opportunity to go on a mission trip to Mexico. This is a serious mission trip and as Mitch Robey, the leader of the Ferris chapter of HHCF, said not "fun time." We do NOT fly down there and stay in a hotel. The plan is to cram 30 people into two 15-passenger vans and drive down to Mexico over the period of a few days. We drive straight to Mexico, stopping only to eat and relieve ourselves. When we get to the border we meet up with a Texas-based group called "Casas por Cristo" and they take us over the border. Once over the border we help "Casas" build a house for a homeless family in Mexico. "Casas" works in conjunction with a Mexican church and the recipients of the house are either members of the small church or people the church is ministering to. We stay in Mexico for 5 days or so, eating canned food and sleeping on the cement each night. Then once the house is finished we pray over it and over the family and then we drive back to Ferris.

Last year, through the generous donations you provided, God was able to send me on the trip. Our group had 45 people in all, 15 more people than had ever gone on the trips in years past, and we built 3 houses!!! God was able to use us to bless two Mexican families and the Casas Por Cristo team! It was a wonderful, life changing experience, and I am going again this year.

You may be asking why I have written to tell you this. Well, it is very simple; being a college student I have no way to really finance this trip. I am asking you, as your brother in Christ, to please search your heart and see if there is any way you can help me to go on this trip and empower me to do God's will. I'm not going to try and hide the simple fact that I am asking you for money. I am, but it is to further God's work, and not for my personal gain. The total cost of the trip per person is roughly \$600-\$650. That includes gas, food, and the meager lodging as well as material costs to build the houses. I know this to be the experience of a life-time and any help you can give me and Casas would be greatly appreciated. If you would like to help, please send a check for any amount to the address printed at the top of this letter, or if you know my parents and would like to give it to them at church that is alright to. Please make the check out to Rosten Crants.

I would like to thank you for taking the time to read this, and may God bless you and your family each day!

Your Brother in Christ,

Rosten Crantz, the Third