

Dear W.C.,

I know a family that is struggling right now. The wife is disabled, and they have two children. The husband has a job and works full-time. The wife stays home and cares for their two young children as her disability does not allow her to work but she is a very capable mother. Lately she has had some additional setbacks in her health, causing them to have large medical bills, and the husband had to take off work a few days to care for her and the children. They are having a very difficult time keeping their car running as it needs several costly repairs. He needs his car for work and their many trips to Madison for her medical care. I know they have cut back on their food budget and are behind in their rent and utilities. I wish I could help this family myself, but I am a single mother living on a strict budget. They are a very good and worthy family that just needs a break. I am praying The Time Is Now to Help can help them get back on their feet.

Dear Readers,

I paid a visit to this family after speaking with the concerned friend who wrote this letter of request. The friend contacted the family and let them know I would be speaking to them soon about their situation.

When I arrived at their apartment I was met at the door by the husband and two young children. The husband shook my hand as the curious children peeked from behind him. The father guided them in front of him so he could introduce them as well. They both followed their father's example and shook my hand in greeting.

The father explained his wife was not feeling well and was resting. We all spoke softly to allow her to rest. Before we spoke further, he asked the children if they would like to watch one of their programs on TV and they were excited for the opportunity. This allowed us to speak more freely about what they were enduring without worrying the children.

Once they were distracted, we got right to work. The husband filled me in on what the wife had been going through and her disability. They had worsened over the past few years. The husband felt they were on the right path now with a new doctor as her health is returning, but the medical bills and co-pays had been draining all their income. They had resorted to selling some belongings to try to make up for the expenses, but this had not been enough to prevent the risk of eviction or utility disconnection.

I went through their budget and expenses thoroughly. We put together a plan to get them back on track which included three months rent, gift cards for food and gas, and a payment on their utility bill that would bring it up to date. After reviewing the quote for his car repairs, we approved those as well and sent him to our trusted mechanics that would complete the work for less.

The father hugged me when I shared the assistance we would provide, and he tried his best to hide his tears of relief from his children but the youngest noticed and came up to ask, "Why

are you crying Daddy?" He answered, "Because Daddy prayed for a helping hand and God answered my prayers." His child may not have understood his reply, but I did and I know you do too. I thank you for your generosity to our charity that allows us to provide tears of relief to so many in our communities.

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*Health & Happiness, Love & GOD Bless Everyone, Sal*

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