

## SHORT STORY ON A CHILD'S SMILE-2023

1. The 690 families provided for were 94 more than last year.
2. The 1,461 kids provided for were 261 more than last year indicating that the need is increasing each year.
3. **The anonymous donor that contributed \$20,000 for the 2022 program again contributed \$20,000 this year. Someone out there is generous beyond belief. If that someone reads this, know that I cannot adequately express my appreciation for his/her support. I believe in miracles, and we got one again this year. Without his/her support, the schools would have had to remove some families in need from their lists.**
4. For those interested in the level of support from the November "Piggly Wiggly Charity Of The Month" program, it resulted in a \$3,815 donation from Piggly Wiggly.
5. 477 caps and 51 pairs of mittens were donated. Many of them were hand knitted.
6. Three complete model train sets were donated.
7. Hundreds of new or like new stuffed animals, dolls, toys, and matchbox cars were donated.
8. A \$5,000, \$1,600, \$1,500, several \$1,000, and numerous of \$400 - \$500 were given.
9. I appreciate those church members who were so moved by the program that they thought outside the box in creating ways to financially support the program.
10. I thank the 50+ church families that contributed to A Child's Smile this year. Every donation, no matter how small, made it work.

Roger & Lyn Johnson