

Merry Christmas, Friends!

This holiday, my hope is that your home is filled with the warmth and joy of friends, family, and loved ones.

As you celebrate this year, we ask that you share grace and consider including your AbleLight family.

Because of your generosity, people with developmental disabilities enjoy meals around the table, laughter with loving caregivers who provide the warmth of home and family they always desired.

Many blessings,

Keith Jones

President & CEO

AbleLight

P.S. Your holiday gift today will be matched!



We believe the world shines brighter when people with developmental disabilities achieve their full potential.

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# Love Your Neighbor as Yourself.

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Dear Friends,

Christmas is the time to celebrate family, friends, the birth of Christ, and all the good things in the world. For us, that includes being grateful for you. We couldn't do our work without your support. So let me say again, thank you.

During this season of celebration, I urge you to also remember that God asks us not to forget those who are often cast aside and abandoned.

And right now, there couldn't be a better time to remember people who are frequently forgotten—by making a gift to AbleLight and people with developmental disabilities.

First, a group of generous supporters has offered to match your gift dollar-for-dollar, up to \$100,000. But this match is good only until December 31, so you must act fast!

This means your gift of \$150 will double to \$300 to help people with developmental disabilities find a nurturing home that's right for them. Or your very generous gift of \$300 becomes \$600 to help provide compassionate, whole-person support for everyone in our care.

But just as important, your gift will help provide homes for more people this holiday season and into the next year. Right now, we have a long waiting list—families, caregivers, and people with developmental disabilities who are desperate to find not just somewhere to live, but a home, a family, a place to belong.

This is our most important campaign of the year. Please give as generously as you can. AbleLight counts on donations from people like you.

Your past support of AbleLight helped provide essential supports in our safe and loving homes. And your generous giving helped deliver fundamental resources and access to loving caregivers, allowing people with disabilities to be more independent and live fuller, richer lives.

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For many, this means being able to dress themselves, take transportation, or attend Christmas services at their churches. You and I may not think there's anything remarkable about this. But for people with developmental disabilities, these victories are life-changing.

<u>That is why your year-end gift is critical</u>. People with developmental disabilities are depending on you—not just for homes, but also to enable them to learn, flourish, and succeed.

I understand that you're getting a lot of requests right now, but I ask you to remember what God asked us to do: "Love your neighbor as yourself."

By making a gift to AbleLight, you are fulfilling that call. And when you give to AbleLight, your gift benefits many. Because of you, Mary got her first job. Because of you, Jordan began managing his medications on his own. And because of you, Susie is now flourishing in her AbleLight group home.

Please consider making as generous a year-end gift as possible so that, together, we can help more people with developmental disabilities. We can provide more safe and loving homes while also providing them individualized support services as they gain independence.

Your compassion for people with developmental disabilities is a gift to all the people and families we care for. And as a token of my appreciation, I've included a beautiful ornament to hang on your tree. I hope it reminds you of our gratitude for all that you do.

I've also included a second ornament for you to sign and send along with your gift. We will hang your ornament at one of our loving homes. It will be a blessing for everyone to know you are thinking of them this Christmas.

Remember that your gift today will go twice as far to change the lives of people with developmental disabilities, so please give as generously as you can. Without donations like yours, this vital work simply cannot happen.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity. Have a blessed and Merry Christmas!

Sincerely,

Keith Jones, President & CEO

- P.S. This Christmas, your gift can go TWICE AS FAR to empower people with developmental disabilities to reach their full potential. But you must give by December 31 to get this match.
- P.P.S. Give now, so we can reduce the number of people with developmental disabilities waiting for critical services. The sooner you give, the faster we can help.

Make an impact faster by donating online at ablelight.org/match!

Share some Christmas joy by signing and returning one of the enclosed ornaments, and hang the other one on your tree!

### **URGENT:** BUDGET SHORTFALL

We just received word that we are not making our year-end goal.

Your gift will be doubled

Help us close this budget gap by making a MATCHED gift today.

Your urgently needed gift will go TWICE as far to help people with developmental disabilities live in safe and loving homes.



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Yes, Keith! We want to help people with developmental disabilities with a warm home for the holiday! So please match our Christmas gift to make twice the impact!



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- ☐ I have enclosed my check payable to 'AbleLight'
- ☐ Please charge my credit card (see other side)

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□ \$150 to become \$300
□ \$225 to become \$450
□ \$300 to become \$600
□ Our gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ to become twice as much
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# Twice the Hope. Twice the Joy. *Christmas Match*

Make a difference for people with developmental disabilities by making a MATCHED gift today. Your gift will go TWICE as far!

You must act before <u>December 31</u> to take advantage of this match!

Thank you for your kindness and compassion!



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## A gift for YOU and a gift to remind others at AbleLight that you are thinking of them this Christmas:

- 1 Detach both ornaments.
- Sign one and return it with your gift.
- 3 Keep the other as a reminder of the joy you share.

### Thank you!

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May the blessings of Christmas fill your heart and home.

Signature

Light into the world.

John 12:46a





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