



**SOS CHILDREN'S
VILLAGES**

A loving home for every child

Acutus
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Dear Acutus

On behalf of everyone at SOS Children I am writing to thank Acutus for your generous donation to our work at Basse Children's Village, The Gambia.

Basse Children's Village now cares for 112 orphaned or abandoned children of whom nine are babies; all are given a loving home and the care they need. The nursery school of which Acutus has been a proud supporter for some time provides an education for 128 children from Basse Children's Village and the surrounding area. The young children who attend would otherwise not have the opportunity to attend nursery, and would miss out on this positive start to their lives.

Every 2.2 seconds a child is orphaned, often in one of the poorest parts of the world. Once a child is taken into an SOS Children's Villages we give them the love and security of an SOS mother, caring for them over the long term. Through donations such as yours children have access to education and health care, receiving support as they grow into independent adulthood. Vocational training schemes give further opportunity to the young people in our care. Our Family Strengthening Programmes extend our work into the wider community and as a result we reach many hundreds of thousands more children.

Thank you for being part of the vital work we do and for your support. Warm wishes for a wonderful Christmas and a very happy New Year!

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jeff Massey'.

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