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### *Better Than a Hallmark Card*

On Saturday, I received an envelope addressed to "All the Children of the Santa Chiara Children's Center." Puzzling. I had to open and what was. As slowly pulled the card of the enveloped it looked like a standard greeting card. The I spotted kids I knew, included Bency. Here it is:



Inside was a typed message. It began: Dear Children, You don't know me but I'm a friend of your Papi." The very sweet, thoughtful note was from a Journal reader and donor. He went on to tell the kids about the city in which he lived. He also spoke of my love for all the kids. I sent the creator of the notecard an email telling him that when I get back to Haiti, I'll gather all the kids together and have Gabens or Baby or Naïve read the note. Then we'll pass the card around so they can all see it. Beautiful gesture.

