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Dear Grace,

February 28, 2013

At the end of 2012, our partners and friends like you worked together to create a **Season of Smiles**. Thanks to your support during this special time of year, Smile Train raised enough funds to provide more than 20,000 cleft repair surgeries for children around the world!

As the **Season of Smiles** kicked off, our Smile Train partners in Peru were looking forward to the Christmas holiday – and the beginning of summer in the southern hemisphere! Peruvians celebrate Noche Buena or “Good Night” on December 24<sup>th</sup>. Families give and receive gifts, enjoy an evening feast and watch fireworks light up the night sky. But the parents of 1-year-old Julia Cornerlio had a special reason to celebrate...

...their young daughter was smiling for the first time!

When Julia was born with a cleft, her parents never dreamed that she would leave the rural village where they lived. With no money to afford surgery, they believed that she would be doomed to a life of isolation with no hope for her future.

But when her family heard about Smile Train’s free cleft repair surgery supported by generous people (like you!) during this special time of year, they traveled to the Clinica San Felipe in Lima to meet Dr. Mery Mendoza. She’s a Smile Train partner who has already performed many life-changing cleft repair surgeries for children. You can see little Julia’s radiant new smile in the enclosed photo!

We’re so grateful to begin 2013 with such positive momentum. Not only have children born with clefts like Julia already benefited from **Season of Smiles** donations, but the new funds raised will also help Smile Train address our waiting list of cleft surgery requests. We hope to have even more locations declared “cleft-free” this year!

Will you help us make this happen?

Julia is just one of the thousands of deserving children we reached during the **Season of Smiles**, but we estimate that there are still more than one million children in developing countries living with unrepaired clefts. They are just waiting for someone like you to help change their lives. Will you send another gift today to help create even more smiles in 2013?

All the best,

Priscilla Ma  
Executive Director

P.S. Please visit [www.SmileTrain.org](http://www.SmileTrain.org) to find out where in the world a child is now smiling, and how you can help more children with clefts in the year ahead.

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Julia Cornerlio, 1 year  
Clinica San Felipe, PERU  
Surgery Date: December 2012  
Surgeon: Dra. Mery Mendoza

