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Dear Soldier of Love,

While terrorists fell towers and bullets threaten babies, our army rises. While political differences tear families apart and guerilla warfare creates orphans, our movement is growing. And while innocent men, women, and children are subjected to senseless acts of violence, our soldiers march. We are so thankful for you.

In our May newsletter, we told you about our visit to Qaraqosh, a town in Iraq. As the largest predominantly Christian city in Iraq, Qaraqosh was home to many beautiful churches and historical monasteries until 2014, when ISIS scourged their way through northern Iraq. A city of beauty soon became a city of ruins, with many families fleeing for their lives.

We are thrilled to announce that we have the opportunity to bring joy to the children and support to their parents and grandparents by building playgrounds in Qaraqosh as beacons of hope and new beginnings. The people of Qaraqosh are known for their faith and have a history of rebuilding; however, many are now unsure and discouraged. Their homes, shops, schools, and church buildings have been destroyed. But even in the face of devastation and uncertainty, church bells ring once again and crosses have been re-hung, signifying that God is still on the throne and in control of their lives.

Help rally around the people of Qaraqosh by offering prayers and support to help us take the first steps to rebuild their children's future. We've raised \$18,000 so far, but we still need \$36,000. We have enclosed an envelope for you to make a donation of any size: \$10, \$20, \$100, \$500, \$1,000—every dollar counts. One small action can make an enormous difference in the lives of these children. Our prayer is that they experience God's faithfulness and that their faith is strengthened. We want them to believe that He hears their every cry and plans to give them a future filled with hope.

Please make a donation today by sending in your envelope or by visiting reloadlove.com.

We are the army of love. Our mission is to fight back with tenderness and redeem the lives of children who have been impacted by terrorism.

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### YOUR VOICE 🔍

Thank you for engaging with us through social media (@ireloadlove). Your voice makes a difference in the lives of children impacted by terrorism through one simple like, view, or share. Help us double these numbers.



#### ACTS OF LOVE

Robin Abrams is a thirteen-year-old girl who has found a creative way to join the lovement. She said, "*Selfless.* The word everyone strives to be but fails. I want to be selfless, which is why when I heard I could help kids from the other side of the world through Reload Love, I took the chance. About a year ago, I started a business and chose to give 25 percent of my profits to Reload Love." Thank you, Robin!



#### INSIDE THE PROJECT

If a picture can paint a thousand words, this portrait speaks volumes. This is the self-portrait of a young Yazidi girl. Though we see the wound on her face, we cannot see the scars left on her heart. We know she is a student and a survivor. Her people, the Yazidis, are one of many indigenous peoples in Iraq that are terrorized by ISIS. While thousands have died, somehow she escaped with her life.

We don't know how this young girl's family made it across the desert to the Khanke IDP (internally displaced people) camp. We don't know when she came to Grace Community Center to play on the Reload Love playground, but we do know that she heard the gospel and experienced the love of Christ.



We hope this masterpiece captivates your heart. You can purchase a copy at reloadlove.com as a reminder to pray for children like our girl in pink.

We are the army of love. We dream of a day when children do not fear for their lives. By transforming spent bullet casings into something beautiful, we help heal little ones around the world whose lives have been damaged by the ugliness of terrorism. Join us and arm children with hope.

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