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Dear Mary,

Thank you very much for the generous gifts from the Sunday school class of the Psalm 91 bandanas. The first big box arrived Christmas Eve. Wonderful timing as I spent most of Christmas day circulating the battle space visiting troops. I passed them out with due credit to your church and class. The helicopter crew that flew me around was really taken with them and very appreciative. The other two boxes arrived last week.

I always take time to talk with troops about spiritual things and provoke many responses and results. I give away a bandana somewhere in the course of the conversation. *Everyone* thoroughly enjoys getting one. I've passed them out to soldiers on guard in towers, entry control points, motor pool. I gave some out after a convoy prayer I led with a team I traveled with. I passed some out to our small 0700 Sunday morning congregation. (These are the few who come after night shift or just before going on for the day. I call them the "real dedicated ones.")

I've given them to several of our General Officers staff that maintain a vibrant faith in spite of a crushing schedule...and to some others who think about God if I bring Him up. Always well received, these bandanas are faith builders and sources of personal encouragement. I'm having a great time witnessing to the Truths of God and passing these along.

These are worth every penny and much more personally to every troop that gets one. Thank you for the thoughtful and expensive effort. Rest assured these are making a spiritual and personal impact on our force.

Your fellow laborer,

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