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*For Lebanese and Palestinian
Victims of War*

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Dear Friend,

As the 747 touched down at Kennedy Airport, each child on board carried with him or her a different story, a different nightmare of war, a different tragic wound. But each of them also brought a hope and a promise -- a hope of life, a promise of help.

It was Save Lebanon that provided that hope and promise.

I'll never forget that day, Valentine's Day 1983, when this first group of wounded Lebanese and Palestinian children arrived in New York City. I remember entering the cabin of the Alia Airlines 747 soon after it landed and finding 13 horribly maimed children huddled together in fear. Their injuries overwhelmed me. "My God," I thought, "how will we ever be able to help them?"

Fulfilling the Hope

Save Lebanon did help those children, plus 38 others who needed medical care that was unavailable in Lebanon. We succeeded because you and thousands of Arab Americans cared enough to help.

Here are just a handful of "miracles" in which you played a part during the past two years.

* Ali and Ahmad Dbouk suffered severe burns on their hands and arms when their Beirut home caught fire during an Israeli air raid. By the time they had arrived in the United States, scar tissue had grown so thick that they couldn't move their hands. The teenage brothers received extensive reconstructive plastic surgery in Boston, and returned to Lebanon two months later -- with hands that were open and working.

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