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Dear Cure JM Families and Friends,

With the holidays upon us, we at Cure JM would like to express our sincere gratitude for your support and involvement with our organization. We have accomplished much since our founding five years ago -- including the establishment of two research centers and the funding of the first-ever book about JM -- solely through the efforts and contributions of people like you.

However, much work remains. Cure JM will continue the fight until no more children or adults suffer from this debilitating autoimmune disease.

You can help our cause in many ways during this season of giving:

- 1) Donate today to Cure JM.** As an all-volunteer organization, more than 98% of all contributions we receive go directly to JM research or educational programs. Your tax-free donation can be made at www.curejm.com/team/donations.htm or mailed to the address below.
- 2) Write a holiday letter or e-mail** to your family and friends about your child's experience with Juvenile Myositis and ask for their help in finding a solution through a donation to Cure JM.
- 3) Do your holiday shopping at iGive.** Go to www.igive.com and register with Cure JM as your charity. Then, every time you make a purchase from any of the 700+ stores through their link on iGive, our organization receives a gift of up to 26 percent of the total purchase price. An extra \$5 is donated to Cure JM for each registrant who shops at iGive within 45 days after signing up.
- 4) Search the Web with <http://isearch.igive.com/toolbar.cfm>.** After you sign up, one cent is donated to Cure JM for each search. If every Cure JM family searched the Web just 10 times a day through this tool, Cure JM would receive \$22,000 in a year!
- 5) Ask for donations to Cure JM in lieu of holiday or birthday presents.** You can have people make the donations directly to Cure JM via the Web site or by mail, or you can set up a fundraising page at www.firstgiving.com/curejm. It only takes a few minutes to register and personalize your page.
- 6) Donate to Cure JM on behalf of another.** You can download our Cure JM holiday "thank you" card for the gift recipient www.curejm.com/order_pages/holiday_card.htm.

Every little bit helps and gets us a little closer to a cure. A better future for our children is within our reach if we all stretch our hands a bit further.

Warmest holiday wishes to all of you!

Rhonda, Jacque, Patti, Tom and Shari
Cure JM Board of Directors