The logo for Catholic Relief Services (CRS) features a stylized white leaf-like symbol to the left of the letters "OCRS" in a serif font. Below "OCRS" is the text "CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES" in a smaller, all-caps sans-serif font.

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Dear Friend,

Hello from halfway around the world. This afternoon, I saw the most beautiful sun setting behind this village in the south of Madagascar. But an even more incredible sight was adults learning to read—when 3 weeks ago, they didn't know how to hold a pencil.

Catholic Relief Services provides adult education here. And there is an abundance of students eager to learn!

Today I visited a classroom filled with more than 30 adult learners, most of whom started with no formal education. The goal? Within 100 days, to graduate with a fifth-grade reading level.

I was amazed, but I believe it's possible, thanks to the generosity of donors like you—and the thirst for education I saw for myself.

Your gifts are creating opportunities for women like Martine Vao, 64, who says she wants to read so she can learn better ways of farming. It's never too late.

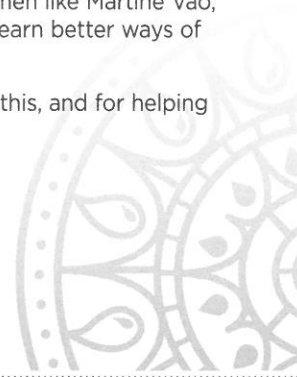
Thank you for supporting opportunities like this, and for helping communities to grow and thrive.



Grateful for you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Larissa".

Larissa Peters  
*Online Fundraising Specialist*



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