

Dear *Melissa*,

Christmas is coming soon and the excitement here at the North Pole is building up! The elves have worked extra hard to create lots of new toys for all the good little boys and girls around the world. The reindeer have practiced their leaps and Rudolph has even shined his nose, and now it glows brighter than ever before! Mrs. Claus has made her yummy cookies and she has my suit ready for Christmas!

Do you know why I love to bring gifts to children? Long ago, God gave us his son Jesus as a gift, a Savior for all people, for all times! Since Christmas is the time we celebrate Jesus' birthday, I like to give gifts in His honor to celebrate all that He has done for us! It is important to remember that is the true Christmas spirit!

Every time I come to Grosse Ile, I know I'm going to be visiting your home and that makes my Christmas even more special! I look forward to it every year! I know you will love the new toys the elves made and they also made some for your Cousin Jase, too!

You've grown up so much over the years. Now that you're 4 years old, you're doing so many new things. I was so proud of you when I heard about how you've been praying to Jesus every night. You are an amazing girl.

Remember, even if you hear the jingle bells on my sleigh; be sure to keep those blue eyes closed. Before you know it, it will be Christmas morning and Jesus birthday!

Your Friend,
Santa

