



LOVE

Bombs

The children of St. Frances of Rome Parish, Cicero, Illinois,
along with all the children of the world wish their friend,
Pope John Paul II, a Happy Twelfth Anniversary.
We Love You.

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INTRODUCTION

Sister Julia entered her classroom smiling, then motioned for her students to be seated as she turned on the TV. Within minutes everyone was cheering and waving. "What a historical moment!" thought Sister as they listened about the Berlin Wall coming down. The students were really too excited to do much of anything, so before dismissing the class early, Sister gave them this assignment: If you could change the world for a better place to live, how or what would you do?

The next day the students came to class carrying suitcases and all sorts of costumes. "Sister," said Mary, "instead of just reading our assignment, some of us got together, compared notes, and decided to put all of it into a special play. We will show how evil can be changed into something good." "My, my," said Sister, "what a clever idea!", as she took her seat ready for Act I to begin.

ACT I

Bob, portraying Father Mark, hears loud noises as he enters the classroom. Looking at all the nails, hammers, paint cans, and plastic materials on the floor, Father remarked, "What's going on here?" "You see, Father," said Steve, while glancing at the girls who stopped writing, "we are working on a Love Bomb Mission." Just then Mike stood up trying to take glue off his fingers, laughed and said, "Would you believe this is our homework assignment?" Father Mark was now grinning as he tapped Mike on the shoulder and said, "Good Luck! Now remember don't use any harmful chemicals around here." Father Mark was about to leave when in walked Father Ted, portrayed by young Don. Laughing, Father Ted said, "It looks like you boys won't be playing baseball for a while because of this project." The boys replied, "That's right, Father." Father Mark smiled and said, "What a great imagination and determination our children of today have," as he and Father Ted left the room.

ACT II

The big day finally arrived when the project was completed. The boxes were checked over and were ready for shipment. Steve kept looking at his watch while time was ticking away. "Don't worry," said Monica, "with the letters we sent to all the dignitaries, they won't let us down." Suddenly, Mike, hearing loud noises, stood on a box to take a peek out of the window. He gave out a big yell and everybody ran to look. What a big surprise! There were the Knights of Columbus with many cars and trucks ready to give a helping hand. "I just knew they would come," said Monica, "because the Knights of Columbus are always doing nice things for children."

ACT III

The Knights of Columbus, along with the teachers, helped load the boxes into cars for the trip to the airport. The boxes were then put into a plane with huge letters (Love Bomb Mission) written on them. As the children were entering the plane someone yelled, "Look who is in the plane!" Just then the Holy Father came out smiling and blessed the children. Monica, with tears streaming down her face, looked at Steve and remarked, "I just knew the Pope would join us, after all he is for peace and loves children too." The Pope listened as the children told him that if the Berlin Wall can come down, surely our Love Bomb Mission can get results. Steve told the Holy Father how they took all the bombs that were made for destruction and converted them into plastic Love Bombs. We need to live in harmony and to respect all life. The Holy Father raised his hands and said, "That's my good children; God bless you and your great country." The plane was ready for take-off when a small voice could be heard saying, "Who is the pilot?"

ACT IV

The Love Bombs were thrown from the plane into every village, town and city. What a sight to behold! The bombs looked like doves wrapped in puffs of clouds. The rays of the sun were brilliantly shining on the red, white and blue plane. The following messages were inside the bombs:

Thank you dear parents for instilling in us that Faith which includes our recognition that we are made in God's image. Thank you for teaching us to respect the name of Jesus and that they Virgin Mary is still worthy of our respect and admiration. Thank you parents, grandparents and stepparents for teaching us

by your example to respect all in authority and to have respect for our flag for what it represents. Thank you for showing us by your example what is good on TV for us to watch in order to have good sound, healthy minds. We thank and are proud of all nations who contribute toward peace and pride and human families. We thank all the priests and religious who give us spiritual guidance and Christ-like love. Thank you parents to care enough to discipline us and remember that when you get discouraged, we do love you.

FINALE

When the Love Bomb Mission was completed, the children bowed their heads in reverence to God and His Providence because it is He who sustains their faith, hope and dreams.

The children were ready to leave the airport when a young boy walked over to a tall man and said, "Sir, were you the pilot?" The distinguished looking man with a twinkle in his eyes replied, "Read my lips; aren't we all for peace?"

THE END

