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The holiday season is here and while many people are hustling to find perfect gifts for loved ones, we're hoping to help a very deserving child find the ultimate gift - a permanent family to call his own. Joining us on this hunt is Santa himself, whom we caught up with at the Americana in Glendale, California, and members of Operation: Children, who have been supporters of LA County's DCFS adoption efforts for more than 30 years.

The holiday season brings many images to mind ... children snug in their beds waiting for Santa, gifts under a tree, prancing reindeer, etc. But for the children in foster care, they often envision spending the next holiday -- and many holidays after that -- in a place they can call "home".





This week's Wednesday's Child is Emmit. Born in 2000, Emmit is a thoughtful and affectionate young man. Emmit is also a huge sports fan who prefers basketball, football or anything outdoors – including running around with a pet dog -- suits him just fine. When inside, Emmit loves to help around the house. Once he's comfortable, Emmit possesses a natural ability to strike up and maintain a conversation with just about anyone and proves to be quite a friendly 9 year-old.

With the tip that Emmit likes to be active outdoors, *Operation: Children* (you learn more about them at operationchildren.com) played Santa's helpers and made sure that Santa had a bike (and related safety gear) for Emmit in addition to the Wii console that Santa already knew Emmit would like for rainy days and indoor play. Emmit was in awe.





But beyond these awesome gifts lies the one thing Emmit really wants, needs and deserves -- a home not just for the holidays but a forever family who will love him unconditionally and be there for a lifetime of birthdays, holidays and milestones. So we're asking you to be Santa's helper on this one – call us today if you can help make this a reality for Emmit.

Happy Holidays from Emmit and Wednesday's Child!



To learn more about Emmit or about adoption, please call 1-866-921- ADOPT (2367)

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