CHRIST CHURCH

Missions Gift Catalog

Gifts with Lasting Impact



FOR Christmas

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GIFT & CANDY DROP-OFF DEADLINE

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PARTNER PROJECT DONATION DEADLINE

This Christmas, give a gift with lasting impact.

Look through this catalog, indentify projects that appeal to you and give to meet tangible and spiritual needs in our community and around the world.

Together, let's give generously to the work that God is already doing.

Online Gift Registry

GIVE A PRESENT TO A CHILD

Buy a gift that will be given directly to under-resourced children in our area on behalf of their families.

1. **SHOP** the Amazon registry. To access the registry, **SCAN** the QR code—or visit ChristChurch.us/ForChristmas and click on the **GIVE A GIFT** button.

2. **PURCHASE** gifts from the Amazon registry.

   Ship gifts directly to the LIFT Center or drop them off at our Oak Brook campus.

   LIFT Center
   2S361 Glen Park Rd.
   Lombard, IL 60148

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Gift Drop-off Deadline

Gifts go to the following local organizations

■ **BREAKTHROUGH** deeply invests in the East Garfield Park neighborhood by providing opportunities for spiritual formation, education and youth development, housing, health initiatives and violence prevention. Presents will be featured at Breakthrough's Christmas store which offers gifts at affordable prices, affirming the dignity of parents.

■ **BY THE HAND CLUB FOR KIDS** is a Christ-centered afterschool program serving more than 1,500 first- through twelfth-grade students in four Chicago neighborhoods. By The Hand nurtures the whole child—mind, body and soul. Your present will bless a child in the North Austin neighborhood.

■ **INNER CITY IMPACT** uses after-school programs, camps, mentorships and leadership development to disciple children, build healthy relationships and teach vital life skills. Your present will bless a child at the Cicero or Logan Square locations.

■ **LOVE INC** partners with local churches to meet the physical and spiritual needs of their neighbors. Your present will support their Toy Express Christmas store serving DuPage County families in need.

■ **OUTREACH** seeks to transform lives and communities through children's programming, counseling and connecting community members with vital resources. Your present will be featured in Outreach's Christmas store, which offers gifts that are accessible for every income level.

■ **THE SALVATION ARMY** is motivated by the love of God to support vulnerable communities in Jesus' name. Your gift will empower families to give their children presents from the Salvation Army Christmas store.

DONATE CANDY

Drop off candy at the LIFT Center donation tables in Oak Brook! Stockings will be stuffed at the **Oh What Fun! Christmas Party** on **December 5** and will be given to local children through our mission partners and the LIFT Market.

Deadline December 5



OH WHAT FUN!
Christmas Party

MISSION PARTNER *Projects*

Our local and global mission partners do important work all year long. Here are 23 ways you can support them through specific projects and initiatives to further their ministry work.

HOW TO GIVE

STEP 1 | EXPLORE the mission partners and projects on these pages and make donations via the online or paper order forms.

STEP 2 | PLACE AN ORDER

To access the **ONLINE FORM** scan the QR code—or visit ChristChurch.us/ForChristmas and click on the **SUPPORT A PROJECT** button.

~OR~

PAPER FORM | Pick up a form at the Oak Brook Welcome Desk and return it there with a check or cash. Forms and checks may also be mailed.

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Project Donation Deadline

Allinta Ruwana | Bolivia

- **$6 provides an aide for a person with physical disabilities for a week to assist with daily tasks**

Allinta Ruwana is a ministry that creates safe spaces where people can be restored and know their true identity as beloved children of God.

Caring Network | Chicagoland

- **$30 provides a pregnancy test and nurse consultation for one woman**

Caring Network serves local women facing an unplanned pregnancy. Trained counselors and nurses support women with love, grace-filled counseling and spiritual guidance, all while meeting their physical needs.

Cesar and Nancy Cortez | Ecuador

- **$10 covers a month of school expenses for a child**

Cesar and Nancy have worked in South America since 1995 building community water systems, training Bible teachers and equipping local pastors with books, resource materials, practical workshops and more.

Christ Church Benevolence Fund | Chicagoland

- **$25 helps a local family pay their utility bill during the winter months**

The Christ Church Benevolence Fund exists to provide one-time financial support to people experiencing hardship in our community. One of the most common requests from local families is for assistance in covering the increasing cost of utility bills.

Dotun and Ami Modupe | Kenya

- **$41 provides a school desk and chair for a student in the Mathare Valley**

Dotun and Ami Modupe work with Bright Hope International to support children living in poverty and transform vulnerable and underserved communities by providing food, shelter, education and support.

Elim Christian Services | Crestwood

- **$25 covers the cost of one hygiene kit for individuals experiencing homelessness, packed by Elim adults**

Elim Christian Services equips children and adults with disabilities to pursue their God-given potential through person-centered education, adult programs and community partnerships.

Fox Valley Christian Action (FVCA) | Fox River Valley

- **$5 provides a weeknight community meal for a teen**

FVCA disciples children and teens into life-transforming relationships with Jesus Christ through free summer camps and year-round programs.

India Gospel League | India

- **$5 provides a Bible for a new believer**

India Gospel League's Sam Stephens aims to bring sustainable transformation to rural villages by investing in community partnerships that empower those on the margins as they share the love of Christ.

International Justice Mission Global

- **$25 contributes to the rescue of a child in trafficking**

International Justice Mission works with local communities to bring freedom, justice and lasting safety to individuals trapped in exploitation and violence. They organize rescue operations, provide survivors with aftercare, work to hold perpetrators accountable and train local law enforcement. The average cost of a single rescue mission is $8,800.

Iran Alive | Middle East

- **$8 | provides a Bible to a new believer in Iran**

Iran Alive uses modern technology to share the Gospel, train believers and fuel a discipleship-making movement. They support Iran's underground church through leader training, online worship services and 24/7 broadcasting.

Jean Baptiste Mugarura | Rwanda

- **$40 covers the cost of a child's schooling, uniform and supplies for one year**

Jean Baptiste Mugarura began working with Youth For Christ in 1995, just one year after the Rwandan Genocide ended. His ministry serves vulnerable children. Education is one of the strongest pathways to protection, stability, family restoration and long-term transformation.

JUST of DuPage | Wheaton

- **$30 helps cover costs of obtaining IDs and materials needed for work, housing and services**

This partner works within the DuPage County Correctional Facility to help incarcerated people make lasting positive changes through spiritual, educational and vocational classes and services. They also work to support formerly incarcerated individuals upon reentry in their communities.

Lawndale Community Church | Chicago

- **$25 | provides materials and equipment for their new nursery classroom**

This nondenominational church is committed to building a community of authentic believers and transforming the city through the life-changing power of the Gospel.

The LIFT Market | Chicagoland

- **$15 provides a holiday meal box for a family of six**

This grocery store-style food pantry provides food and essential items to local families in need. It is one of many services of the LIFT Center that seeks to meet the physical and spiritual needs of those in our community, help people in crisis achieve independence and connect people with local resources.

Missio Link International | Romania

- **$20 | provides a hygiene package for an incarcerated minor**

Missio Link International works to equip the local church, provide rehabilitation for young female survivors of abuse and trafficking, support vulnerable children in rural areas and disciple those in the juvenile prison system.

Mission India | India

- **$24 covers the cost for a child to attend Bible Club for a year**

Mission India equips local Christians of all ages with the training, resources and accountability they need to do the ministry God has called them to.

Musalaha | Jerusalem

- **$50 | provides a food package for a refugee family in the West Bank**

Musalaha teaches, trains and facilitates reconciliation between Israelis and Palestinians, striving for redemption and sustainable peace within their society and across borders. They also support local businesses and families in crisis by providing basic food and essentials.

Pacific Garden Mission | Chicago

- **$10 provides five hot meals for an individual experiencing homelessness**

Pacific Garden Mission is the nation's oldest continuously operating Gospel rescue mission, providing year-round meals, shelter and Christ-centered programs to help people experiencing homelessness in Chicago.

Reclaim13 | Chicagoland

- **$35 provides food for a girl or woman escaping trafficking and abuse**

Reclaim13's mission is to restore and redeem the lives of children impacted by sexual abuse and sex trafficking. Funds will purchase gift cards for use in their mentor program and care bags distributed to recovered children/women.

Stephen's Children | Egypt

- **$48 provides a pregnant goat for a family in need**

Stephen's Children works in the slums of Egypt to save lives, bring hope and restore dignity to children so they can help lead their own communities. By building strong, trusting relationships with children and families, they are able to nurture, train and equip others to flourish.

Villages in Partnership | Malawi

- **$30 provides three chickens to a vulnerable family to start breeding for food and sale**

Villages in Partnership works to raise villages in Malawi out of extreme poverty with a model that empowers villages to identify their own needs, contribute to the solution and take ownership of projects.

World Relief DuPage | Aurora

- **$35 provides a grocery gift card for a local refugee family experiencing food insecurity**

World Relief DuPage works to create welcoming communities where refugees and immigrants thrive. In partnership with the local church, they provide economic, social and Christian resources.

Not sure where to give?

If you'd like to support all of the partners listed in this catalog, simply give to the **Undesignated Fund.** The missions team will allocate your gifts equitably among our partners. For a full list of mission partners, visit ChristChurch.us/missions.

IN YOUR NAME CARDS

Pick up cards that correspond to your choices and give them as gifts, stocking stuffers or put in Christmas cards!

They will be available through December 24 at our Oak Brook campus Welcome Desk.



GET INVOLVED | Scan to learn about ways to serve alongside our local partners this season

JOIN US! | Scan to learn more about the holiday season at Christ Church



Merry Christmas | **Thank you for giving generously.**

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