



Christmas

GOD'S VIRTUAL GIFT SHOP

This year has been a challenging time for everyone. Not only have we experienced challenges in our own country but our mission partners have faced many hardships as well. Traditionally, during this season of giving, we offer opportunities for you to give to mission partners locally and abroad, and this year is no different.

Welcome to God's "Virtual" Gift Shop!

Here is your opportunity to share the Christmas spirit by giving a Christmas gift to ChrisWOV in Cameroon, Pastor Rafael in Ecuador, For His Children in Ecuador, or Westgate School child/family sponsorship. See below for an update on these partners and how you may help.

Christian Woman of Vision

- Cameroon -

Cameroon is in the middle of a civil war and it is impacting ChrisWOV. This war is a conflict in the Southern regions of Cameroon between the French speaking and English speaking regions. The English speaking region (which is where ChrisWOV is) has been discriminated against by the French speaking region. The English speaking region wants to form their own country, Ambazonia. In 2016, English speaking



lawyers and teachers went on strike and protested. Since this time the conflict has grown. There are now rebels fighting against the government. Schools have been shut down for over 3 years and children can't attend school in the English speaking regions. There are kidnappings, killings, and assaults occurring on a daily basis. Dorothy Tanwani, our mission partner contact, has been on lock-down many times as the government tells them not to leave their homes. She has sent me videos of soldiers shooting guns and harassing people in the village. Dorothy has been kidnapped twice and held hostage until a ransom was paid to the rebels. It is such a difficult situation as the ordinary citizen is being harassed by both the rebels and the government soldiers. Over 3,000 people have been killed and half a million people have been displaced from their homes. Just a week ago rebels entered a school that had recently resumed teaching and killed seven school children and injured many others. ChrisWOV is now providing much needed support to these displaced people in addition to the widows and orphans they have supported for years. They are also dealing with COVID just like we are. They are providing training and equipment to help fight the virus. They will be most appreciative of anything you share with them as a Christmas gift as they are providing assistance to so many additional people, due to the Civil War. Thank you for all you do.

SUGGESTED DONATION: \$25

For His Children and Pastor Rafael - Ecuador -

This pandemic has affected everyone around the world. Our mission partners in Ecuador, have been affected in unique ways. With FHC, some of the children in their care struggle with compromised immune systems, thus making them more at risk with regards to the virus. In order to limit exposures, caregivers are living on-site and they are not allowing non-essential staff to enter the homes. Ecuador's economy was struggling before the pandemic and they are seeing great need arise in the country. They are ensuring that they have sufficient resources in place to provide for the various needs of the children. They do not know yet how this will affect financial gifts to FHC, but they are trusting for God's provision.



SUGGESTED DONATION: \$25

For Pastor Rafael, getting used to technology was a struggle at first, as it has been for so many, but it has now been a blessing as he is able to impact so many through the work of his "virtual" seminary. He and his team of instructors from all across the world have been able to recruit and begin the process of teaching the next generation of pastors



in the parts of Ecuador where they serve. Both of these partners would greatly appreciate any generosity extended their way. Thank you for all you do.

SUGGESTED DONATION: \$25

Westgate School Families - Omaha -

CHILD & FAMILY SPONSORSHIPS

Bless a family from our neighborhood whose children attend Westgate School by fulfilling a holiday “need” and “want” for each child from their wish list. Additional expenses for seasonal items like coats or gifts, which are above a family’s normal budget, can be a challenge for parents.

SUGGESTED GIFT - CHILD : \$40

SUGGESTED GIFT - FAMILY : \$160



If you would like to sponsor a child or family contact Linda Springsted at 402-290-4704 or linda@springsted.net for more information. You can choose to shop for the child/family or send a check to the church, and we will do the shopping for you. Please make your check payable to “West Hills Church”.





To make a monetary donation to a mission partner, you may either send a check to the church office and designate who it's for on the memo line or you can go to our website: whcomaha.org, click "Give Online" select "God's Gift Shop" from the drop down menu and designate who it's for in the note section.

*Please make your donation by
November 30.*

**Thank you for shopping at
God's "Virtual" Gift Shop!**

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