

Advent is a time of anticipation and promise, of thanksgiving and celebration. Every year, we pour out our gratitude by giving to those who faithfully serve the church and are now in need of service themselves. We honor the promise of Christ by giving toward the promise of our future racial ethnic leaders.

50% provides critical financial assistance to church leaders in need

- Support grants that help retired church workers and their families with financial and housing needs
- Provide aid to church workers with urgent financial and medical needs

50% supports opportunities for future leaders at Presbyterian racial ethnic schools

- Give scholarships for racial ethnic students and future church leaders
 - Equip racial ethnic leaders for ministry
 - Support vital ministries in Presbyterian-related schools
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PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY



Through your church



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Raising Up Generations of Leaders

“Thanks be to God for this indescribable gift.”

—2 Corinthians 9:15



Pan American

LEADERSHIP: PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE



Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
Presbyterian Mission



CHRISTMAS JOY
SPECIAL OFFERINGS

A Dream Realized. A Calling Discerned.

A generation apart, both Lemuel Garcia-Arroyo and his nephew Jasiel Hernandez found their calling to Christian leadership while attending Presbyterian Pan American School (Pan Am).

As a child, Jasiel often heard Lemuel speak highly about his time at Pan Am, and made it his dream to attend. His dream came true—thanks in part to scholarships supported by gifts to the Christmas Joy Offering.

While attending Pan Am, Jasiel participated in a weekly Bible study and led it his senior year. Learning about God and how others live out their faith with his classmates solidified his calling to ministry.

“*My family is from humble origins, so money was tight. I appreciate those who gave money, because scholarships made it possible for me to go to Pan Am.*”

—Jasiel Hernandez

Present Day: Both Lemuel and Jasiel serve and lead the church in numerous ways: mid council leadership, preaching at conferences, and Mission Agency committees. Lemuel is currently serving as Associate Director in the Racial Ethnic & Women’s Ministry of Presbyterian Mission and Jasiel is a senior at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary where he plans to be ordained in the PC(USA).

Your gifts to Christmas Joy help make it possible for students to learn and grow in faith at Presbyterian-related racial ethnic schools and colleges.



Presbyterian Pan American

- 100% of graduates are accepted into colleges or universities
- About 91% of student body receives scholarship support

Stillman College

- Ranked among top tier schools in U.S. News and World Report for more than a decade
- 84% of faculty hold terminal degrees

Menaul School

- 98% of graduates go on to college
- Average class size is 12 students



Please give generously to the Christmas Joy Offering.
Help raise up the next generation of Christian leaders.