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PRESBYTERIAN GIVING CATALOG

BIND US TOGETHER, **LORD**

As Presbyterians, we are bound together. Not by culture, rather it is the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and neighbor that binds us to one another. We are united by a deep gratitude for the Spirit—the same Spirit that empowers us to share the love of Christ and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.

It's in this spirit that thousands of Presbyterians give through the Presbyterian Giving Catalog every year. They give as devotion. They give as thanks. They give as one.

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SMALL GIFTS. BIG IMPACT.

God is at work in the world, and the Giving Catalog is one way for us to join in. It features almost 40 items to choose from—including livestock, garden wells, and support for women's empowerment projects. These items translate into real and positive impact by supporting Presbyterian mission.

Gifts to the Giving Catalog are signs of our gratitude: feeding the hungry, comforting the broken-hearted, and sharing our faith with young and old. By joining our gifts together, however large or small, we expand our witness to God's gracious and abundant work in the world.

Giving as an Act of Devotion

As Presbyterians, we are a people rooted in the grace of Jesus Christ. For many people, the Giving Catalog provides an opportunity for devotional giving, returning to God a portion of the blessings they've received through support of Presbyterian mission work around the world.

More Than You'd Expect

If you have a cause that's close to your heart, you can probably find it in the Giving Catalog. Choose from a wide variety of gifts that represent the work being carried out by Presbyterian Mission—including ministries like aid for refugees, youth mentorship, and disaster relief.

20,971

gifts have been given through the Presbyterian Giving Catalog since October 2013

May these gifts, generous God, become the tools to transform the communities they touch. Amen.



GROWING A WAY OF LIFE FOR 500 WOMEN IN CAMEROON

Farming is a way of life for rural women in Batibo, Cameroon. By cultivating yams and raising chickens, women produce about 80% of the food eaten in most households in 10 area villages.

Due in part to generous gifts to the Presbyterian Giving Catalog, 500 women in these villages have been trained in agricultural methods that will further increase yam production, improve soil conservation, and provide sustainable nourishment and livelihoods.

Chickens and Yams: A Natural Pair

The project goes well beyond training and education. Groups also received 400 baby chickens, which will provide manure for growing yams and other crops, as well as income and improved nutrition for the farmers and their families. The women built poultry coops for housing and safety, and continue to raise the flock as a sustainable source of fertilizer, eggs, and other products for use in the home or to sell at market. Another 600 chicks will be distributed throughout the course of the project.

Ten farms in the region have been converted to agroforestry tree nurseries and yam demonstration farms. About 15,000 trees have been planted so far, providing mulch as fertilizer and supports for trellises, reducing the need to cut down trees for yam stakes. The goal is to have 25,000 trees planted before the project is complete.

Our Gifts at Work

It wasn't one gift that made this program possible. Through the collective generosity of Presbyterians, these 500 farmers, their families, and those who live with them—approximately 3,000 people—benefit from the practice of sustainable farming and increased food security.

Our elementary-aged children worked together with our congregation to raise funds in support of 100 families of chickens... We are thrilled to support families throughout this world who are in need of sustainable nutrition!

Sue Webster

Director of Mission Outreach Charleston, West Virginia



PRESERVING THE PAST, SOWING THE FUTURE

"I feel that in this way, we are working together with our past for a better tomorrow."

—Maria

For generations, families in Guatemala have farmed the land using techniques passed down from their ancestors. Thanks in part to support through the Presbyterian Giving Catalog, these techniques are being preserved and taught to younger generations of farmers.

Maria, a young farmer in Guatemala, participated in a series of workshops on sustainable and ancestral farming practices. These trainings were led by Pueblo a Pueblo, a mission partner focused on addressing poverty in Latin America through education and sustainable agriculture.

"I have always been a person with big dreams and aspirations, but until Pueblo a Pueblo crossed my path, I had not been able to fully express myself," Maria said. "The knowledge I gained in these workshops has transformed my life."

Growing Community, Growing Family

After attending the workshops, Maria and her peers took what they learned and looked outward. They developed a worm compost for their local garden project, with hopes that this practice will help increase crop production for nourishment and generate more income for their community.

"We wanted to continue the organic gardens project so it could benefit not only our families, but the entire community," Maria said.

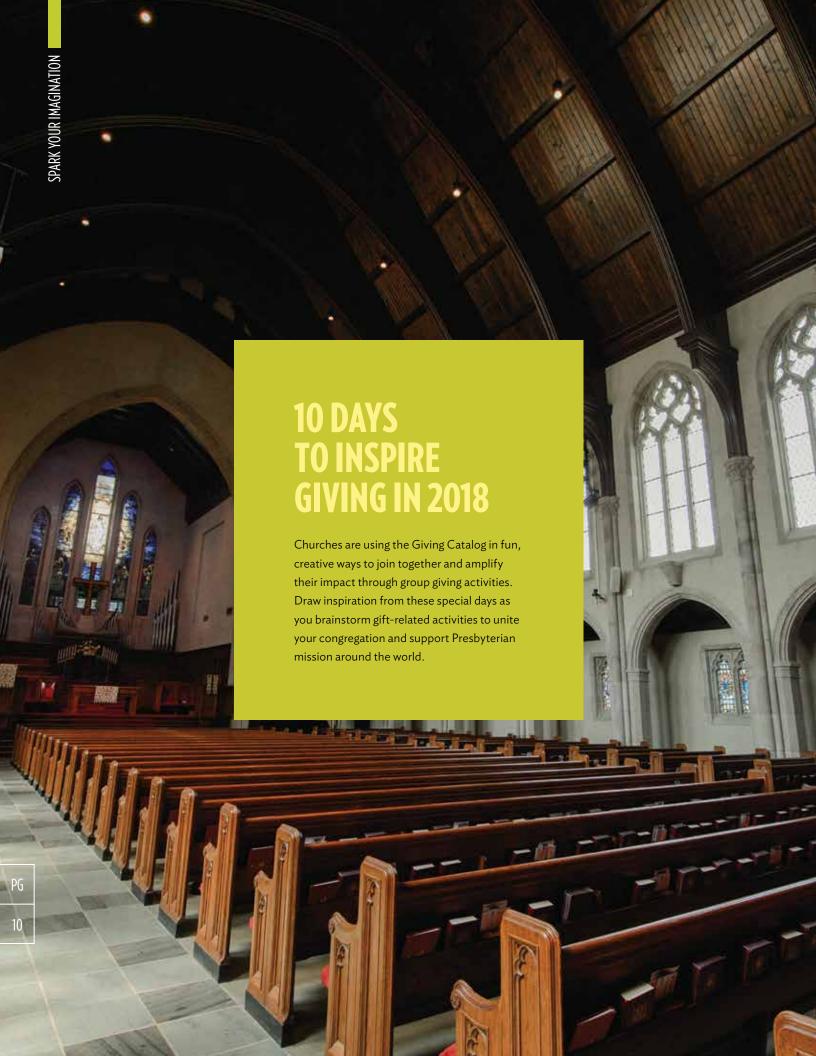
Maria's newfound passion for farming has also brought her closer to her grandfather, who learned to farm using the ancestral methods passed down through their family. His wealth of knowledge was a great asset to Maria and her team as they grew and expanded their garden. In turn, Maria taught him modern composting methods that have helped him save money on fertilizer and improve the health of his corn plantations.

The gifts of Presbyterians have helped make this work possible. By supporting the Giving Catalog, we are helping to raise up leaders like Maria and help grow a better future for communities around the world.

When we give gifts from it, recipients start thinking of others outside their own circumstances. Thank you for yet another way to remind us that we are part of a worldwide community.

Paul and Elizabeth

Playa Vista, California



January 1 **Global Family Day**

Winter Heating Fuel for Refugees 📺

Celebrate this global day of peace by providing for families in need of warmth and shelter.



Second Sunday in August College and Young Adult Sunday

Racial Ethnic Education Scholarship 🛗

Invest in our future leaders by providing financial assistance to students enrolled in Presbyterian-related racial ethnic schools.



March 8 **International Women's Day**



Honor women by supporting their empowerment through education, training, and access to financial opportunities.



September 8 **International Literacy Day**

Invite your congregation to sell their old books and donate their earnings to help students who've lost everything.

Supplies for Displaced Students 🛗



March 22 **World Water Day**

Garden Well 🛗

Let your generosity overflow. See page 12 for fun, engaging activities to raise support for this life-giving day of observance.



Children's Sabbath

Educate a Child 🛗

Celebrate the children in your church by supporting the Educate a Child, Transform the World initiative.



Third Friday of May Bike to Work Day

Bicycle for a Pastor 🛗

Celebrate with a bike-themed fundraiser and help provide bicycles to hardworking pastors in rural Africa.



October 16 **World Food Day**

Farm Bundle 🗂

Help put an end to world hunger by providing people in need with the tools and training to support successful farming.



June 20 **World Refugee Day**

Refugee Food Basket 🗂

Stand with refugees by providing nourishment and essentials to those who've fled their homes in search of peace.



Fourth Friday in November Black Friday

Alternative Giving Market

Skip the doorbusters and encourage generosity by hosting an Alternative Giving Market in your church.



JOIN TOGETHER TO PROVIDE CLEAN DRINKING WATER

World Water Day | March 22

Water gives and sustains life. For thousands of years, people have come together and built communities around their water sources.

World Water Day encourages people to take action to provide safe, clean water to the 783 million people who currently lack convenient access to a water source. This year, join a community of churches in observing

World Water Day by raising awareness and support for this important cause.

Choose a water-related item from the Giving Catalog to serve as a goal for your church to give toward, and encourage donations throughout the month of March with activities that highlight the global need for clean water.



Jerry Can Children's Curriculum

The Jerry Can curriculum highlights the one common denominator in all disasters around the world: the need for clean water to survive. The Jerry Can cartoon was created to be a fun, energetic character for children to connect with. This curriculum, available in both 1- and 5-session versions, includes lessons on disaster response and activities that show how children can be involved with prayer and generosity to make a difference in the lives of people in need.

» Call (800) 524-2612 to request the curriculum: 1-Session (#12112-17-990) or 5-Session (#12112-17-991)



Overflowing Generosity Activity

The Overflowing Generosity activity serves as a community-building experience for your congregation or small group. By gifting water-related items in the Presbyterian Giving Catalog, your community can come together to provide access to clean, safe, and life-giving water for those who need it.

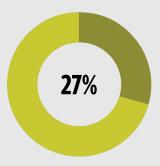
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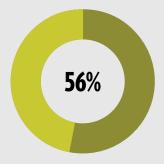


WORKING TOWARD WORLD FOOD SECURITY

Global food security will be realized when all people have access to enough safe, nutritious food to live healthy and productive lives. Some call it a dream. We call it a goal—one that has already seen tremendous progress over the past 20 years.

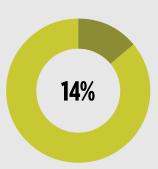


The number of malnourished people globally has decreased by 27%, or 216 million, thanks in part to ministries that have helped grow agricultural productivity in developing regions.



A total of 72 out of 129 developing countries have been able to cut the number of their population living with chronic malnourishment by half since 1990.

But the need is still great



Food security and hunger remains a daily challenge for approximately 14% of the world's population, or 795 million people, with 780 million living in developing areas.



Approximately one out of every nine people in the world currently doesn't have access to enough food to lead an active and healthy life.



GIVE THEM ALL

The Farm Bundle offers an exciting, ambitious goal for churches and groups looking to hold a collective giving project.

From farm animals to water conservation and sustainable agricultural training, this bundle includes something for everyone to get excited about—especially children!

It's an excellent opportunity to teach your congregation about food security and hunger in our communities and around the world. Come together with fun, farm-related activities to encourage giving to this important cause.

Share Stories of Impact with your congregation to show how their gifts help to improve the lives of those who are hungry or malnourished. Use the following coloring sheets for an activity that teaches the children in your church the importance of sharing and helping others.

» Download Stories of Impact and coloring sheets at: presbyterianmission.org/pgcdownload



Farm Bundle | \$1,300

Provide people in need with a sustainable source of income and nourishment. The Farm Bundle includes chickens, goats, and other livestock, as well as seeds, tools, and training to help support successful farming.

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Growing a Better World

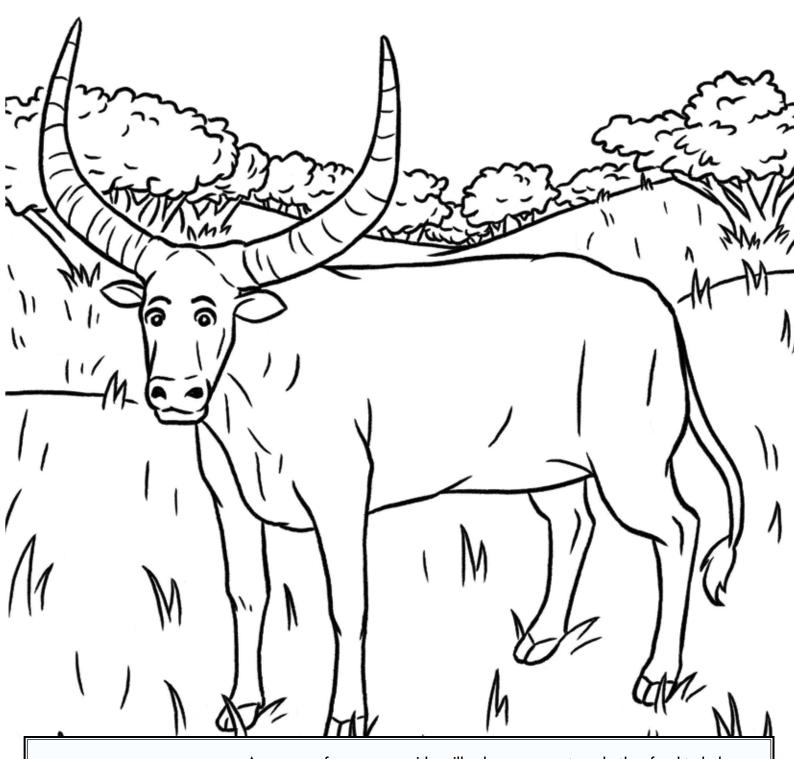


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Help provide the seeds to grow a world where there is plenty of nutritious food for everyone.

» Learn more: presbyteriangifts.org/farmbundle

Moooo-ving Hearts to Share



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A cow on a farm can provide milk, cheese, yogurt, and other food to help families live healthy and strong lives.

» Learn more: presbyteriangifts.org/farmbundle



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GIVE AS DEVOTION. GIVE AS THANKS. GIVE AS ONE.

Unite with thousands of churches using the Presbyterian Giving Catalog to support the ministries closest to their hearts: feeding the hungry, comforting the brokenhearted, and sharing our faith with young and old.

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	12112-17-990	Each	Jerry Can Curriculum (1-Session)
	12112-17-991	Each	Jerry Can Curriculum (5-Session)
Activity Kits			
	12112-17-980	Each	Tree of Hope Activity Kit
	12112-17-981	Each	Overflowing Generosity Activity Kit
Poster Sets			
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RESOURCES CREATED WITH YOU IN MIND

Leaders like you are what has made the Giving Catalog such a success. To help you share your enthusiasm for Presbyterian mission, we've developed these tools and resources to build excitement in your congregation.

Resources by Mail » Request these free materials using the order form in this guide

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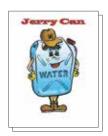
Giving Catalogs



Giving Catalog Starter Kit



Promotional Posters



Jerry Can Curriculum (Grades 1-5)



Bulletin Inserts



Tree of Hope Activity Kit



Overflowing Generosity Donor Cards



Overflowing Generosity
Activity Kit

Downloadable Resources » presbyterianmission.org/pgcdownload

Sample Newsletter Post

Use this ready-made blog post on your website or in church newsletters to help promote the Presbyterian Giving Catalog.

Stories of Impact

Share these stories with your congregation in celebration of, and gratitude for, the magnitude of God's gracious and abundant work in the world.

Ideas to Connect Worship and the Congregation

Use these ideas in your worship planning to inspire your congregation's sense of mission and connect worship with works of compassion and justice.

Hosting an Alternative Giving Market Guide

Plan an Alternative Giving Market at your church, where people can give to ministries that support clean water, agriculture, or relief and assistance projects.

Promotional Images

Hang these promotional materials in prominent locations around your church to build excitement for various gifts featured in the Giving Catalog.

Lesson Plans (Grades K-4 & 5-8)

Use these lesson plans to teach the children in your church about the importance of helping others through prayer, generosity, and sharing.

Activity Sheets (Grades K-4 & 5-8)

Engage the children of your church with activities created to bring to life the lessons they've learned from the accompanying lesson plans.

Children's Sermons

Teach the children of your church valuable lessons with these Presbyterian mission-themed sermons, written by Christian educators.

Farm Bundle Coloring Sheets

Use these sheets for an activity that teaches the children in your church the importance of sharing and helping others.

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